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REDS MOVE TO CHECK REVOLT

Cominform worried over Asia Titoism

San Francisco, February 12. Peking Radio hinted today that the Cominform is getting worried about possibilities of Titoism in Asia.

A broadcast by the Chinese Communist radio said the February 3 issue of the Cominform Journal carried an article entitled "United States Imperialists—Ally Tito clique for espionage in Asia."

The broadcast failed to give excerpts from the article.—United Press.

Manchurian chemical industry

San Francisco, February 12. Big new plans have been mapped out for the Manchurian chemical industry, the Chinese Communist Peking radio reported today.

The programme—which may be one of the first fruits of Mao Tse-tung's visit to Moscow now drawing to a close—said top priority was being given to the production of fertiliser and dyestuffs plants—easily convertible to wartime use.

The broadcast mentioned Russian assistance, but made the following points:

1. The programme will be centred in Manchuria although "attention will also be paid to North China and other areas."
2. The biggest sums will be expended for the restoration of fertiliser, dyestuffs and cement plants, which are assigned top priority.
3. Production of acids and soda will also be increased.
4. A large-scale personnel training programme will be started and technical improvements will be emphasised.
5. The whole programme will be under the "highly unified direction" of the Ministry of Heavy Industry which will enforce costing, accounting and turning in of regular reports from all units.

Peking radio said the programme was agreed upon during a 13-day meeting of top chemical industry people in Peking, which ended on February 7.

Observers here pointed out, firstly, that Russian influence already is well established in Manchuria; and the Russians are highly interested in exploiting Manchurian resources.

Secondly, they considered it likely the Russians may be re-termining some of the \$2,000,000,000 worth of equipment which they stripped from Manchuria after the war in order to achieve the current plan since the Chinese Communists themselves do not have such machinery.

These observers pointed out the reference to "highly unified direction" and strict control of all phases of the programme as well as the emphasis on technical improvement all suggest non-Chinese direction.—United Press.

NATIONALIST GENERAL ESCAPES FROM WEST CHINA

Taipei, February 12. General Shen Wen, formerly commander of the Nationalist forces in Chengtu area, has arrived in Taiwan after escaping from West China in disguise.

Shen was trapped in Chengtu when the Reds conquered the West China city, the last Nationalist capital on the mainland.

After lying low for some days, he made his way out through Chungking, Hankow and Canton.—Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) deep depressions to the E and S of Japan continue to move E and intensify. From the latter a trough extends SW and W to a low pressure system over Northern Indo-China. Pressure is rising over E China and the Eastern Sea.

Today's Forecast—Light S.W. winds, becoming moderate of fresh W.S. with mist and light rain at first, improving and becoming colder.

Yesterday's Weather—Mainly clear—72.8 deg. F. Min. 62.8 deg. F. Max. 78.8 deg. F. Sunshine 1.5 hours.

Forecast—0.1 mm. to 0.04 in. Total since Jan. 1—69.7 mm.—2.31 in. as against an average of 81.2 mm.—3.19 in.

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Liu Po-cheng's forces to occupy East China

CHEN YI IN DISFAVOUR

Armies under the command of the dominating international clique in the Chinese Communist Party are being moved to positions to deal with a possible revolt South of the Yangtse, the "China Mail" learned exclusively last night.

A "China Mail" informant who arrived from Canton yesterday said that General Liu Po-cheng has been ordered to occupy strategic points in the East China provinces of Chekiang, Kiangsi and Fukien where a revolt is expected from General Chen Yi's Third Field Army. General Chen Yi, in disfavour with the international clique, is a staunch supporter of Mao Tse-tung (now in Moscow). He has been based in East China since the overrunning of that region by the Communists last year.

Troops of General Liu Po-cheng's Second Field Army began moving into East China last month.

On January 26, Peking Radio announced that the Second Field Army would not be required to take part in the 1950 production programme because "they still have military tasks to perform."

The "China Mail" informant said that the "military tasks" are not connected with any plans for an amphibious attack on Taiwan.

Jap Red accused of "atrocities"

Maizuru, Japan, February 12. Japan's No. 1 Communist, Kiyuchi Tokuda, was today charged with an "act of atrocity" by anti-Communist repatriates who arrived here on February 8 from Siberia aboard the steamer Takasago Maru.

These anti-Red former Japanese prisoners of war in Siberia who numbered 308 out of a total of about 2,000 repatriates arriving aboard the same boat, issued a joint statement alleging that in the POW camp in Siberia a Russian officer on September 24, 1946, stated "Tokuda requested the Soviet authorities to delay the repatriation of all reactionary Japanese prisoners and use them in strengthening the Soviet Union."

The statement said: "This is a grave act of atrocity against the Japanese people which the Japanese Communist Party which professes peace and freedom for humanity and independence for the Japanese race."

In the statement the anti-Red repatriates questioned Tokuda's responsibility and appealed to the "Japanese people" for support for their move.

Warning repeated

The Japanese Attorney General, Mr. Shunroku Ueda, yesterday repeated his recent warning that the Government was ready to act swiftly against the Japanese Communists if their activities became unlawful, adds a Reuters despatch.

Mr. Ueda's warning, issued before a House of Representatives session, followed a series of similar utterances in Parliament in recent weeks.

Mr. Ueda said: "The freedom of learning and thought is here to stay under the modern democratic system. In Japan, the Communist movement will be permitted if it remains within the bounds of law but appropriate measures will be taken speedily if it is found that such a movement is illegal."

Mr. Ueda said the recent Communist criticism of the leading Communist intellectual, Mr. Sanzo Nonaka, showed that the Japanese Communist Party had international connections.—United Press and Houter.

JAPANESE BUS ACCIDENT

Tokyo, February 12. Twenty-two persons were killed and 20 were seriously injured when a heavily laden passenger bus plunged 100 feet into a fish pond in Kyushu, Japan's Southernmost island, on February 7.

The Japanese police reported that the bus was carrying more than double its 30-passenger capacity.—Reuters.

The "Central Daily News," mouthpiece of the Kuomintang said: "The Shanghai power company plant was bombed because the air force wanted to deal a blow to the Communists."

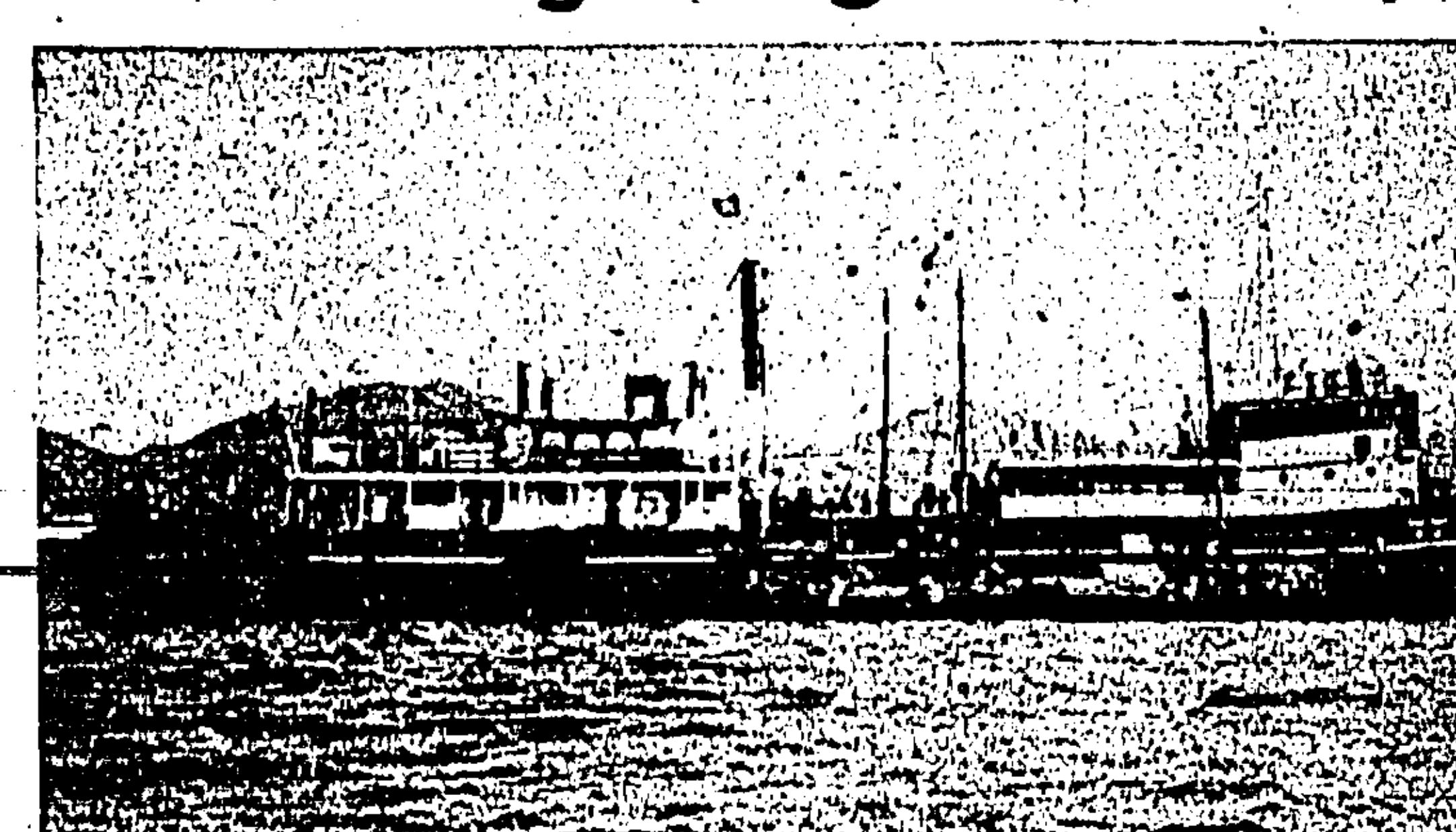
The plant has been used by the Communists as a base for their operations in Shanghai.

The Communists are doing everything possible to out American business interest from China.

The Reds must have derived much pleasure from the American protest against attacks on the American property.

The present civil war in China will probably end.

ss. Wing Hing in mishap



With 100 passengers aboard, the ss. Wing Hing, shown above, was grounded at Chilang Point, 80 miles East of Hong Kong, by rough weather yesterday morning. A distress signal from the vessel brought HMS Concord on a rescue mission. Concord returned to the Colony early today with 60 of the passengers.—"China Mail" photo.

HMS Concord rescues passengers of grounded blockade runner

Fifty passengers of the ss. Wing Hing were expected to land in Hong Kong early this morning from the Royal Navy destroyer, HMS Concord, which had gone to the rescue after the blockade runner had sent a distress signal that she was aground at Chilang Point, 80 miles North East of Hong Kong.

Guerillas raid Saigon harbour

Saigon, February 12. Anti-French guerillas on Saturday night directed mortar and automatic weapons fire against the harbour of Saigon.

The French liner, Champan, which was docked there, was not hit.

Several hand grenades were thrown during the night at scattered points in Saigon and the surrounding area.—Associated Press.

Communists in U.S. State Department

Washington, February 12. Senator Joseph McCarthy renewed his charges today that there are at least 57 communists in the United States State Department.

He called on President Truman to get rid of them.

In a telegram sent from Reno, Nevada, he stated: "Failure on your part will label the democratic party as being the bed fellow of international communism."

He also told newsmen that he was going to make things "so politically inexpedient" for President Truman that he "will just have to clean out the State Department."

Senator McCarthy asked the President to demand that the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, "give you and the proper congressional committee the names and complete report on all those who are placed in the State Department by Alger Hiss, and all those who are still working in the State Department who were letted by you as bad security risks."

Hiss, former State Department official, was recently convicted of perjury.

The charge was that he lied when he said that he had not turned over State Department documents to a courier for Russia.

Senator McCarthy hoped to put the pressure on the President to remove all the "250 persons in the State Department whom Acheson knows are members of the Communist party."

The State Department Press officer, Mr. Lincoln White, retorted: "We know of no Communist members in the department, and if we find any they will be summarily discharged."—Associated Press.

Portuguese resent Nehru's statement

Lisbon, February 12. The Portuguese Ministry for the Colonies officially announced tonight that it had received "many telegrams" protesting against the Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru's, statement that the Portuguese possession of Goa should "join India."

The telegrams, it was stated, were sent by public and private bodies such as municipalities and associations of various kinds, and by prominent people.

The telegrams also protested against a reported statement of the Governor of Kwangtung Province on the assimilation of the Portuguese colony of Macao by China, it was stated.

The official announcement added that many people from Portuguese India and Macao living here had also expressed to the Ministry for Colonies "their great resentment against those statements."—Reuters.

FINNISH SHIP SINKS

Helsinki, February 12. The Finnish freighter Karhu broke apart and sank today off the Dutch coast. A Dutch lobster rescued 10 crew members.

The Karhu was carrying 2,214 tons of cargo.

Associated Press.

Warning to Dutch troops

Jakarta, February 11. Dutch troops were warned on Saturday that disciplinary measures would be taken to subdue the increasing insubordination, as rumours swept the capital that Captain Paul "Turk" Westerling's insurgents planned to strike soon.

Lieutenant-General Burman Van Creden, the Dutch commander, told his forces in a radio broadcast that desertions, car thefts, and other infractions were playing into the hands of "irresponsible anarchistic elements" and "inevitably will result in a chaotic situation."

As Lt. Gen. Van Creden gave what amounted to the second major Dutch warning to the Army in the week, the activities of Westerling's tough army of some 10,000 insurgents and Dutch deserters became a matter of immediate concern.

Attack feared

Westerling has given the government until midnight on Sunday to recognise him as supreme commander of West Java, and many officials fear he will attack Jakarta when the new State's first parliament convenes on February 16.

A Dutch officer implied last Saturday that Dutch troops would help to suppress the insurgent forces if they struck again.

Local newspapers reported increasing anti-Dutch activity in Java of persons suspected to be in league with Westerling. It is reported that eight members of Westerling's troops were arrested in Jogjakarta, bringing to 82 the number of persons in custody in the Republican capital.

Three more persons were reported arrested in the mid-Java report, Semarang.

Informed sources said that four Dutch soldiers, including two junior officers, were arrested in Jakarta on Friday.

The total number of persons arrested in Jakarta and Bandoeng remained secret, but it is believed to be more than 200.—United Press.

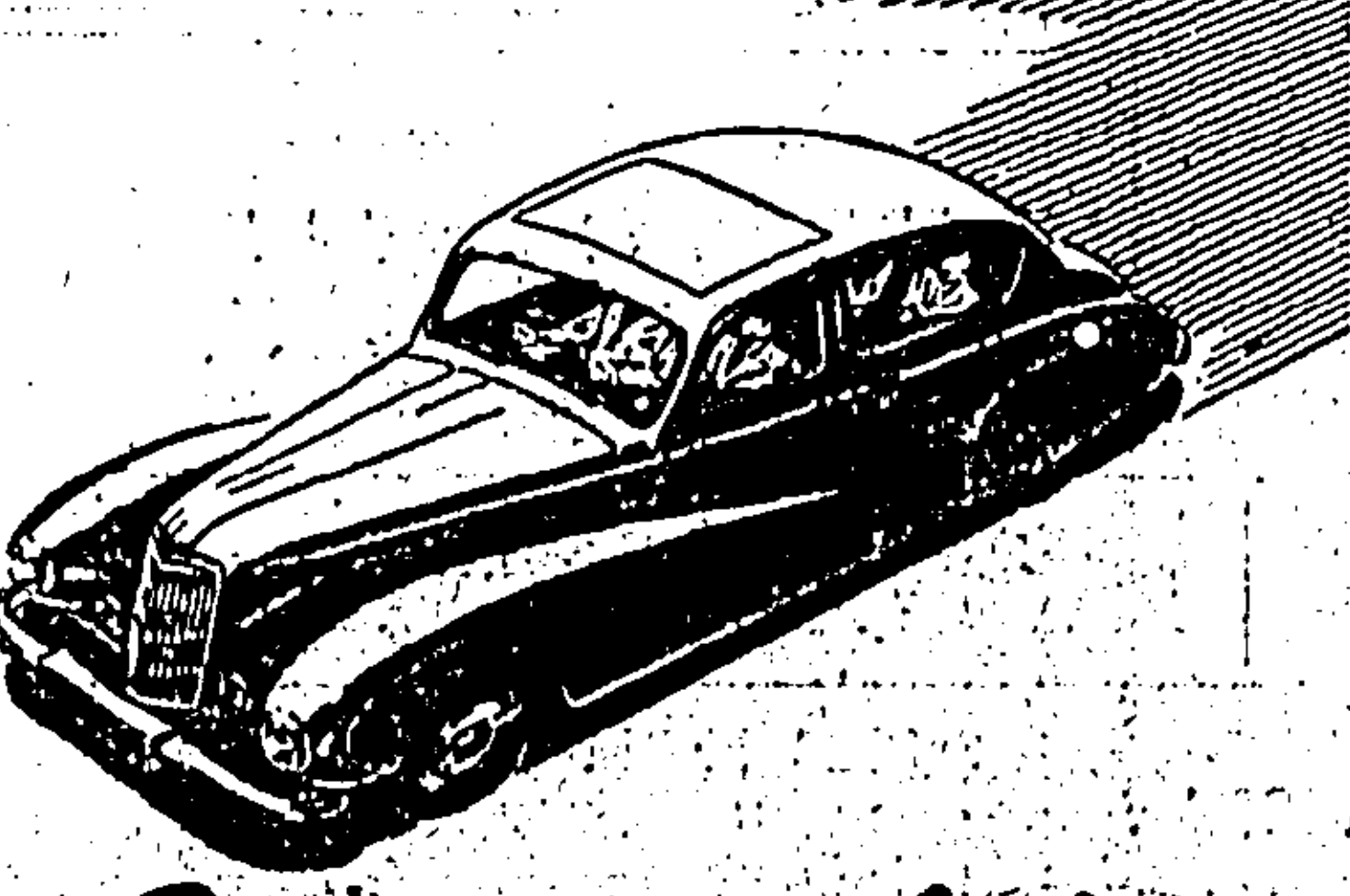
INGRID BERGMAN'S SON REGISTERED

Rome, February 11. Ingrid Bergman's 10-day old son was today registered as the son of the Italian film producer, Roberto Rossellini, and a mother unknown.

The registration, made with the Registrar of Births by Rossellini's lawyer, confirms that made yesterday with the Procurator of the Republic. The full name of the child is Roberto Renato Giuseppe Giusto Rossellini.

Mrs. Bergman's name did not appear on the birth certificate. The formula "mother unknown" was used being that required by Italian law when the paternity of a child is claimed by a man who was not the mother's husband at the time of the child's birth.—Reuters.

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Macao refugees

Sir,—Kindly permit me to express, in your columns, what I am sure many local people feel on the question of the coming of loans by Government for relief in Macao during the war years. In a Press announcement on this subject, it was stated that the Hong Kong residents who took refuge in Macao during the war borrowed money from the British Consulate. The fact is that refugees in Macao who were British subjects were required by the British Consul to sign a statement that they would refund monies granted them for relief, before any aid was given to them. (This despite the fact that many of us took part in the defence of the Colony, as members of the fighting forces and in various units of the essential services). Having no other means of livelihood in Macao, we had to choose but to sign on the dotted line in order to survive, and our families, as loyal British subjects, were refused to stay behind in Hong Kong and work for the enemy. But some of those who did remain and who collaborated with the Japanese made fortunes and have lived like great lords ever since.

The Macao Government gave relief freely to all refugees who were Portuguese citizens. No question of repayment after the war was ever asked of them. In that spirit of true spirit in which such relief should be given to those in dire straits, through no fault of their own?

In Britain, Australia, and other progressive countries, when men are unemployed owing to war, the Government gives them relief, and they are not required to pay back anything when they have jobs again.

Why does the Hong Kong Government now call upon us to pay up? The Colony's economic condition is very healthy, with a fat surplus of income over expenditure.

Almost all the British subjects who were refugees in Macao were of the white-collar class, whose earning power is low. Most of them even the payment of \$20 to \$30 every month to Government out of their meagre salaries, towards their debt for war aid, means that they have to deprive themselves and their children of some of the little pleasures that help to brighten their drab lives.

There is a question to which many of us local people would like an answer from the Government of this British Colony in which we were born and bred. The large number of European British women and children who were evacuated to Australia for safety before the Japanese invasion invaded Hong Kong, while our women and children remained behind—have all their menfolk been asked to pay back to Government the cost of their transportation to and from Australia, and their maintenance in Australia through the war years?

I understand Government servants, who were granted in full their salaries for the whole of the Occupation period, had sums deducted if their workfolk were among the evacuees to Australia.

But as regards those other evacuees to Australia whose menfolk were not Government servants, and who (like ourselves) have not received any pay at all for the war years—have they been billed by Government for the cost of their transportation and maintenance for the war period? We local people should very much like to know.

Just one more question—All those European British persons who after the war were given a health trip and long holiday to England, Australia and elsewhere, at Government expense, to recover from the strains of the war—were they called upon to pay for it? We local British people

—many of whom, I repeat, served in the defence of the Colony, also suffered gravely in health; but we were not considered.

I hope Government will make a frank statement through the Press on this matter of aid to British subjects in this Colony who suffered as a result of the war.

Yours etc.,
LITTLE MAN.

Sir,—Government need money. Therefore they demand repayment of loans advanced to the refugees in Macao. These refugees could at least claim that they were loyal, as they were either unwilling or unable to stay in Hong Kong to serve the Mikado.

Those of us incapable of being favoured by Isogai, Tanaka, Nomura and their advisers and counsellors to make good, often found ourselves in a very difficult position when the Allies should have been victorious in this co-prosperity area would have to forfeit their ill-gotten gains, if not their lives and liberties. And we who were politically treacherous persons, non-grata, and were tortured, starved and imprisoned should get a little compensation.

Not Post-war legislation appears to punish those who were punished by the Japanese, and favoured by the Japanese. The celebrated Occupation (enemy) Land Transaction Ordinance sanctions real estates bought with monies that could only be accumulated, under the enemy's syndicate and monopoly system, by persons who collaborated closely with the enemy, detrimental to the Allied cause.

In spite of the fact that the "China Mail" continuously published letters against such legislation, it has become the law of the land.

Can we now suggest to Government that instead of demanding repayment of loans from loyal refugees, a levy of ten per cent of the land value should be made to pay off these loans? Such a little imposition would at least show some token appreciation of the loyalty and disapproval of war profiteers and enemy collaborators.

All indications of the time tell that the Colony needs loyalty and patriotism. Proper reward of the faithful and rigid punishment of the treacherous are the inducements that help to brighten their drab lives.

Yours faithfully,
AN EX-POLITICAL PRISONER OF THE KEMPEITAI.

The rice ration cards

Sir,—Some time ago you published a letter of mine complaining of a certain Government rice shop's ignorant and arrogant attitude towards applicants for rice ration cards. Later the Rice Controller communicated through you for information about the said rice shop. Accordingly I gave the dealer's name and described the story of the episode.

Now I have received a reply from the Rice Controller stating that "the shop has been warned, but it would have been appropriate if you had telephoned this Department at the time, so that immediate action could have been taken."

I hope that other Departments of the Government, when their attention is called to complaints in the Press, would adopt a similar policy in rectifying the mistakes of their subordinates and employees.

Yours faithfully,
TAXPAYER.

ARMED ROBBERY

Six men armed with revolvers and daggers, robbed five travelling traders of more than \$3,000 at Takuling yesterday morning.

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Temporary huts housing the victims of the Kowloon City fire erected in the new squatter colony site in Homantin Valley will be replaced by some 200 huts to be built and offered to the fire victims at a cost ranging from \$300 to \$1,000 each. Picture shows the temporary shelters which will soon have to give way to the construction of the better grade huts.—("China Mail" Photo).

Red Courts enforcing new marriage laws

A move has been made in the Courts of Communist China to enforce monogamy, and ban concubinage, child brides and marriages arranged by go-between and parents without the consent of the parties involved.

This was reported in Shanghai newspapers, reaching the Colony yesterday. Official newspapers of the Chinese Communists also carried the reports.

Courts in Communist China are now being guided by certain fundamental principles in dealing with matrimonial disputes.

Main objects of the principles are said to be aimed at preserving national health; upholding self-determination on the part of persons directly concerned in matrimonial disputes; maintaining equality between man and woman; prohibiting early child marriages and preventing the keeping of mistresses.

The new principles, however, do not affect men who already have more than one wife, but the Courts, it was indicated in the reports, will automatically grant one of the wives a divorce if she makes the necessary application.

Marriage engagements are also governed by the new principles. At the request of either party the engagement would be dissolved on the principle that any marriage contract must have the full consent of both parties.

Divorce procedure

Regarding divorce, the innocent party will have the right to compensation—in the form of alimony or maintenance for the children or maintenance for the wife.

On the other hand, the party responsible for the divorce will also have the right to living expenses on proving that he or she is unable to make a living following the divorce.

Regarding the custody of children following the divorce of their parents, the principles will be to place them in the custody of the party best suited to care for their welfare.

The general principle, however, is to place children under six years of age in the custody of the mother with the father contributing to their support.

The principle of persuasion will be used in matrimonial cases involving members of the armed forces to avoid breaking up their families.

However, if a woman can prove that she has not heard from her husband for at least three years and that his fate is unknown, she may ask for a divorce and remarriage.

The Courts will grant a divorce on the following grounds: 1. adultery or inhuman conduct by either party; 2. mutual consent to nullify a marriage; 3. cruelty, desertion or deceit on the part of either party.

Taikoo Chinese Ass'n meeting

The Taikoo Chinese Association was changed in name to "The B. & S. Chinese Staff's Association," it was decided in the General Members' Meeting held at the Luk Kwok Hotel yesterday.

The alteration was decided upon after the meeting had agreed that all members west of the staff of the Butterfield and Swire.

Mr. Tse Yung-bun was elected Chairman of the Association and Mr. Henry W. Lee, the Vice Chairman. The temporary address of the Association was also changed to 89, Connaught Road, Central.

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U.S. officers visit Triumph in helicopter

Admiral W. F. Boone, USN, and Captain J. B. Moss, USN, commanding the aircraft carrier USS Boxer, paid a courtesy call on HMS Triumph yesterday by helicopter.

It is believed to have been the first occasion that a helicopter has been used in Hong Kong.

The two American officers took off in the helicopter from the flight deck of the Boxer and landed on the flight deck of the British carrier.

Later the helicopter flew over the Colony, attracting much interest.

More than 500 residents visited the Boxer yesterday.

A skeleton force of officers and men on the American ship conducted tours through the 27,000-ton vessel.

In addition to carrying more than 80 of the latest type fighters and torpedo planes, the Boxer also carries eight 60-foot motor launches, a large touring car and 11 jeeps for use when the vessel is in port.

It was explained that under battle conditions, the carrier could accommodate many more planes.

Among the visitors to the carrier yesterday were Maryknoll Sisters and nurses from the Royal Navy Hospital.

The ship is expected to leave for Manila on Thursday.

One unconfirmed report said that the ship is due to take part in manoeuvres with the Royal Navy off Singapore this spring.

IRC annual meeting

Mr. A. el Arculli was elected the first Patron of the Indian Recreation Club at their annual general meeting held at the Club house yesterday.

This was followed after an extraordinary general meeting of the Club when the meeting decided on the increase of the Club's entrance fee for new members to be raised from \$16 to \$20 and that this monthly subscription for members be increased from \$5 to \$9.

The meeting decided to increase the number of committee members from 13 to 15.

The following officers were elected for the year:

Patron, Mr. A. el Arculli; President, Mr. O. Sadick; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. F. H. Melwan and J. M. A. Hamid; Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. H. Imail; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. S. Moosdeen; Bar Convenor, Mr. M. I. Razack; Social Convenor, Mr. A. H. Abbas; Bowls Convenor, Mr. U. A. Rum; Cricket Convenor, Mr. S. A. Ismail; Tennis Convenor, Mr. O. R. Sadick; Committee members, Mr. M. Wahab, A. K. Minu, A. A. Rahman, A. K. Marker and D. M. A. Razack.

Lecture on Confucius

The philosopher who has moulded Chinese lives and customs for more than 2,000 years will be re-valued in a lecture tonight by Professor Ching Te-kun.

He will discuss the background and influence of Confucius whose system of thought still commands the great majority of the Chinese people.

The family, worship of ancestors, respect for seniors, ethical values, and a thousand traditions in the conduct of life were fashioned by the great teacher in the 6th Century B.C. and will be reviewed by a lecturer who is an acknowledged expert in history and archaeology.

The lecture, "Introduction to Confucius (Confucianism)" will be held at the British Council Library at 8.30 p.m. today.

Construction of huts for fire refugees

Mr. Daniel Chen, Chairman of the Kowloon City Fire Relief and Rehabilitation Committee, announced yesterday that sealed tenders for the construction of 200 huts in Homantin Valley for the re-settlement of the fire victims will be received by the Committee beginning tomorrow.

The tenders call for the building of two classes of better-grade huts to be constructed of sand-bricks, concrete and timber and some with steel frames.

They are to be built at an estimated cost of \$1,000 and \$885 each, respectively, but Mr. Chen expects that their cost will be much less. The original plan called for another class, for \$1,500, but that was deemed too expensive.

The hut, which will have a uniform character, will measure 11 feet by 20 plus an out-house 11 feet by 21 feet by eight for the bigger ones, while the smaller ones will measure 25 feet by 10.

They will be built along both sides of the nullah running through the centre of the valley. It is expected that they will be completed within two months.

The Committee, which was the outgrowth of the Joint Relief Committee formed immediately after the disastrous fire on January 11 by 22 of the Colony's commercial, charitable and social organisations, expects to sell 22,273 cwt of contributed rice now in its possession, the receipts of which will go toward the building of the huts.

Large donations

Besides this expected fund, donations amounting to \$172,896.40, of which \$9,516.50 had already been expended, and receipts of the recent charity bazaar match between a local Chinese team and a visiting Malay-Chinese team, will be used to build the huts.

At present the Government Social Welfare Office is still administering aid to about 700 victims of the fire, it is authoritatively learned by the "China Mail."

Before 300 had 400 temporary huts, housing an estimated 2,000 people, have been erected on the hillside of Homantin Valley, the site of an old Chinese cemetery.

A number of the fire victims are still being sheltered temporarily in the gutted area in Kowloon City. The Government order to remove them to Homantin by February 1 was extended to the end of this month due to the approaching Chinese New Year.

Squatters who registered with the authorities after the fire will be eligible to rent or buy the new huts when they are completed.

Some, if not all, will retain their huts now erected on the hillside. These huts were built by the squatters individually at a cost of about \$100. They are made of flimsy makeshift material of lumber, cardboard boxes and tin sheets hammered out of petrol cans.

Most of the new squatters who came after the fire and who are registered with the authorities told a "China Mail" reporter that they could not possibly rent or own one of the new projected huts.

One of the squatters who claims to be a living and who was rebuilding his eight by eight hut after being told that his hut had a fire-lane between his and his neighbour's hut, said that to occupy one of the new huts for several hundred dollars was far beyond his power.

Fighting in Indo-China

Paris, February 12.—Fighter planes went into battle yesterday between Viet Nam troops and forces of the rebel Communist-backed Viet Minh which attacked a military post near Loosay, French Indo-China reports reaching Paris today.

Two battalions of rebel forces attacked government installations at the post and were driven back after hard fighting. The rebels fled.

The rebels suffered 150 killed while only three men were lost on the government side.

The French High Commissioner to Indo-China, Mr. Leon Phibon, left Saigon by plane for Paris today for urgent consultations with French government officials on the Indo-China situation.

With Communist forces on the North Indo-China border and Viet Nam's recognition of the Communist rebel forces, the French High Commissioner is expected to leave for Indo-China in the near future.

Other reports are expected to leave here shortly for Indo-China.

A hundred years ago

Tales told in "China Mail" files

"Our postponed Race Meeting commenced on Monday and as we anticipated, exhibited as far as it has gone a decided improvement on former ones. We were sorry to see so few ladies: some few were no doubt frightened at the clerical thunder. Our thanks go, however, to the men who those who honoured the course and Gents mustered strong, a great many of them wearing their tickets for soup in their hats, which gave the affair rather (sic) a down-the-road appearance. Some kind of a nautical performance was going on in a stand erected by our Portuguese fellow Colonists. At least we might infer so from a placard with the word 'Lunch' on it. We imagine, however, this must have meant 'Lunch' and have no doubt the liberality of viands was equal to that of the vowels if we might judge from the smiling faces of the fair occupants of the Stand. A good race for the Ladies' Purse was won by Prince, from Creditor. When a Prince or any other man is running away from a Creditor he generally wins the race."

Excerpts from a long letter, liberally sprinkled with excerpts from a Book of Verse, written in High Babu to the Editor from Canton on the death of Sir Charles Forbes, Bart.—

"When we take a deliberate survey of the history of sublimity events in general, it appears to us as clear as daylight that there is nothing under the sun that is more liable to be forgotten away. Think again of that once splendid Egypt, boasting Babylonian, proud Persia, polished Greece and Iron-footed Rome. It hardly needs us to say that we are at present labouring under the influence of a most painful and afflictive nature in consequence of the unexpected death of Sir Charles Forbes, Bart. a man as 'bountiful as the mines of India', a more kind and affectionate, affable and generous Englishman than any who has not visited the shores of the City of Eden. Pity that in this disgusting swagman (Chatter) this our voluntary exile we cannot have an ample access to be acquainted with this personage. Many multifaceted and all this relating pictures less than this could not be said to dwell upon a portion of the traits of his character. We aver and aver most unmistakably, that to a great majority of our Countrymen, and especially the Far-east, who were nearly acquainted with his great personality, his death is a great loss. His unselfish love of the inhabitants of Hindostan, his unaffected humanity, his unceasing exertions for the amelioration of the Bombay citizens, his earliness and ardour with which he had lavishly bestowed his wealth in England, and his other most exemplary conducts and praiseworthy qualities, his loss is by much the more irremediable. There is not a loyal Indian who will not lay his hand to his heart and consecrate it to his memory and spirit.—INDIAN & CO."

From Nineveh.

A vessel which has arrived at Chatham, from Bombay, has brought 20 tons weight of antiquities from Nineveh, which are intended to be forwarded to the British Museum for deposit in the Ashmolean.

We have been favoured with a copy of the Report of the Preparatory School and the Theological Seminary in Hong Kong of the London Missionary Society for the year 1899. It is a volume of 40 pages and contains many interesting details of the figures of the accounts by which it appears that in the Preparatory School 8 boys in the first class, 10 in the second, 15 in the third, 10 in the fourth, 10 in the fifth, 10 in the sixth, 10 in the seventh, 10 in the eighth, 10 in the ninth, 10 in the tenth, 10 in the eleventh, 10 in the twelfth, 10 in the thirteenth, 10 in the fourteenth, 10 in the fifteenth, 10 in the sixteenth, 10 in the seventeenth, 10 in the eighteenth, 10 in the nineteenth, 10 in the twentieth, 10 in the twenty-first, 10 in the twenty-second, 10 in the twenty-third, 10 in the twenty-fourth, 10 in the twenty-fifth, 10 in the twenty-sixth, 10 in the twenty-seventh, 10 in the twenty-eighth, 10 in the twenty-ninth, 10 in the thirtieth, 10 in the thirty-first, 10 in the thirty-second, 10 in the thirty-third, 10 in the thirty-fourth, 10 in the thirty-fifth, 10 in the thirty-sixth, 10 in the thirty-seventh, 10 in the thirty-eighth, 10 in the thirty-ninth, 10 in the fortieth, 10 in the forty-first, 10 in the forty-second, 10 in the forty-third, 10 in the forty-fourth, 10 in the forty-fifth, 10 in the forty-sixth, 10 in the forty-seventh, 10 in the forty-eighth, 10 in the forty-ninth, 10 in the fiftieth, 10 in the fifty-first, 10 in the fifty-second, 10 in the fifty-third, 10 in the fifty-fourth, 10 in the fifty-fifth, 10 in the fifty-sixth, 10 in the fifty-seventh, 10 in the fifty-eighth, 10 in the fifty-ninth, 10 in the sixtieth, 10 in the sixty-first, 10 in the sixty-second, 10 in the sixty-third, 10 in the sixty-fourth, 10 in the sixty-fifth, 10 in the sixty-sixth, 10 in the sixty-seventh, 10 in the sixty-eighth, 10 in the sixty-ninth, 10 in the seventieth, 10 in the seventy-first, 10 in the seventy-second, 10 in the seventy-third, 10 in the seventy-fourth, 10 in the seventy-fifth, 10 in the seventy-sixth, 10 in the seventy-seventh, 10 in the seventy-eighth, 10 in the seventy-ninth, 10 in the eightieth, 10 in the eighty-first, 10 in the eighty-second, 10 in the eighty-third, 10 in the eighty-fourth, 10 in the eighty-fifth, 10 in the eighty-sixth, 10 in the eighty-seventh, 10 in the eighty-eighth, 10 in the eighty-ninth, 10 in the ninetieth, 10 in the ninety-first, 10 in the ninety-second, 10 in the ninety-third, 10 in the ninety-fourth, 10 in the ninety-fifth, 10 in the ninety-sixth, 10 in the ninety-seventh, 10 in the ninety-eighth, 10 in the ninety-ninth, 10 in the hundredth.

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mendations. Box 145, "Sunday
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ping supplies, wooden boxes.
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all specialized operations for
Helen Curtis cool waves,
machineless oil perms, hairdyes &
manicure—ROSE MARIE Beauty
Parlour—Phone 50384—43, Han-
kew Rd., Kowloon.

PEKING ART RUG CO., 221A
Nathan Rd., Kowloon, sell ex-
clusively carpets and rugs. Please
drop in and have a look.

WHY LIMP about with a painful
corn or ingrowing toenail when a
visit to Beten's expert chiropodist
can put you right? Consult Beten's
Beauty Salon, 1st Floor, Exchange
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Garls, Monograms, Handkerchiefs,
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cleaned in your own home by
modern, convenient DURACLEAN
SERVICE. DURACLEAN COM-
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Agent: George Lin & Co., 202
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CARPETS & RUGS—Genuine
Peking and Tibetan, lovely de-
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Tel. 32717.

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blender with glass. Now again
available at the FLIMO DEPOT,
Marina House, 3rd floor, 17/19,
Queen's Road, C. Telephone:
32153.

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Hotel just received Gold Wedge
Heel Shoes. Also in Stock Large
Selection American Dresses,
Skirts, Blouses, Slacks, etc. Open
Until 6 p.m.

CULTURED PEARLS beautiful
assortment, moderately priced, on
view George Lin & Company, 202
Bank East Asia Bldg. Hongkong.
Tel 24408.

BARGAIN! Electric Hawaiian
Bowl "Guitar" — Backpacker
"ELECTRO" twin-control — new
from Honolulu HK\$450. Apply
Box No. 534 "China Mail".

SHORTWAVE enthusiasts receive
worldwide stations to their hearts'
content with the amazing Pilot
model 550471 Bandspreading Im-
portant wavebands. 8 valves in-
cluding R.F. stage. Handsome
walnut cabinet gold metal grille
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Road, Phone 32512.

THE HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI HOTELS,
LIMITED

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

NOTICE is hereby given that
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of
Shareholders of The Hongkong
& Shanghai Hotels, Limited,
will be held at the Registered
Office of the Company (Second
Floor, Telephone House, Des
Voeux Road, Central, Hong
Kong) on WEDNESDAY, the
15th day of March, 1950, at 12
Noon, for the purpose of re-
ceiving the Report of the Board
of Directors, together with the
Statement of Accounts for the
year ended 31st December,
1949, to confirm the appoint-
ment of a Director, to re-elect
a Director and to appoint Au-
ditors.

The Transfer Books of the
Company will be closed from
the 1st March, 1950, to the 15th
March, 1950, both days in-
clusive.

AND NOTICE is hereby also
given that an Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Share-
holders of the Company will be
held at the same place on the
same day at the conclusion of
the Ordinary Yearly Meeting
for the purpose of considering
and if thought fit passing the
following Resolution as an Or-
dinary Resolution:—

"That the Board of Directors
of the Company be requested
not to exercise, for the time
being, their power to offer the
unissued capital of the Com-
pany to existing shareholders
and that their Press announce-
ment dated the 8th March, 1949,
shall accordingly be regarded
as withdrawn."

By Order of the Board,

A. SOMMERFELT,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 6, 1950.

THE HONGKONG
ELECTRIC CO. LTD.

TRICITY HOUSE.

The following new telephone
numbers are substituted from
today:—

38011)
38012) Distribution and
38013) Meter Departments.
38014)
38582 Distribution Engineer.
38583 Mains Engineer.

THE HONGKONG
ELECTRIC CO., LTD.
February 13, 1950.

BANQUE BELGE POUR
L'ETRANGER

HONG KONG

As from today, February
13th 1950, our offices have been
transferred to our new premises
in Edinburgh House, Corner of
Lee House Street and Queen's
Road Central.

LANE, CRAWFORD, LTD.

HOURS OF BUSINESS

CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY

Day	Main Store & Branches	Status
Friday 17th February	Main Store & Branches	Closed
Saturday 18th February	Branches & Food Section (Main Store)	Open 9 a.m. — 12 noon
Sunday 19th February	Main Store & Branches	Closed

Bread and cakes will be on sale
on Sunday 19th, February in
CAFE WISEMAN
which will be open as usual
throughout the holiday.

HARRIMAN REALTY CO., LTD.

Real Estate
Brokers
and
Valuers

FOR SALE AND TO LET.

Let us know your requirements.
We have houses and land for sale
and to let.

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Escape bid
a failure

San Francisco, February 11.
According to Peking Radio
tonight, Wang Ling-chi,
powerful Chinese warlord
and former Kuomintang
Governor of Szechuan Pro-
vince, was arrested by the
"People's Army and security
forces" when he boarded a
Yangtze River boat at Kian-
gan last Monday.
He was said to have been
trying to escape to Taiwan
in disguise.—Reuter.

PARTY MERGER
IN JAPAN

Tokyo, February 12.
Twenty-three members of
the Japanese Democratic Party
yesterday declared that they
would join in a Conservative
merger with the Prime Minis-
ter's Democratic Liberal Party,
reported the "Mainichi".

With the merger, the new
faction, which may choose a new
name, will have a strength of 255
seats giving an almost unassail-
able majority in the House of
Representatives.

The merger was made possible
when the leader of the Demo-
crats, Mr. Ken Inukai, left the
party to become an independent,
making the way clear for the
merger for which he had pre-
viously been the chief stumbling
block.

Mr. Inukai, son of a former
Prime Minister, has since leav-
ing the Democratic Party, been
referred to by political commen-
tators as Japan's political orphan.
—Reuter.

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry
Forms for the 2nd Race Meet-
ing to be held on Saturday,
25th February, 1950, (weather
permitting) may be obtained
at the Secretary's Office, Tel-
ephone House; the Club House,
Happy Valley; and the Stables,
Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock
NOON on WEDNESDAY, 15th
February, 1950.

By Order,
S. A. SLEAP,
Secretary

DIOCESAN BOYS'
SCHOOL

An Entrance Examination
will be held on 6th May for
boys wishing to enter Class 8
in September 1950. There will
be about sixty vacancies.

Application-forms may be
obtained from the School Office
on and after 23rd February.
They must be completed and
returned to the School by 31st
March, together with a registra-
tion-fee of \$2.

February 10, 1950.

NOTICE

A.A. GUN PRACTICE.

The Military authorities an-
nounce that the Anti-Aircraft
guns from TATES CAIRN gun
site will be firing on Tues-
day 14th February 1950 be-
tween 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Shells will be fired set at safe
and will fall without exploding
into the sea South West of
STONECUTTERS Island and in
the TOLO CHANNEL.

Arrangements have been
made for the patrol of areas
affected in order to ensure that
vessels, ships, aircraft and
persons are not exposed to
danger.

NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the
Hong Kong Women's Interna-
tional Club will be held today
at 5.30 p.m.

NOTICE

THE CHINA COAST
NAVIGATING AND ENGINEER
OFFICERS' GUILD

A meeting of the Management
Committee will be held at the
office (third floor), Union Build-
ing, 21, Pedder Street, at 4 p.m.,
on Monday, Feb. 13th, 1950.

GEORGE T. LLOYD,
General Secretary.

Hongkong, February 11, 1950.

S. Africa begin
slow fight back
in fourth Test

Johannesburg, February 11.
Facing a total of 465, South
Africa began a slow fight back
with an unbroken opening
stand of 77 against Australia
on the second day of the
fourth Test here.

Australia declared their first
innings at 465 for eight wickets at
tea today and by the close of play
South Africa had scored 77 for no
wicket.

The "rubber" has already been
decided, Australia having won the
first three Tests.

Resuming their first innings to-
day at 406 for two, Australia be-
gan to go for the runs. With only
seven added they lost a wicket,
but Keith Miller and Lindsay
Hassett (captain) engaged in a
fourth wicket stand which real-
ised 109 runs.

Miller batted three hours 25
minutes and hit four boundaries
in his 84, while Hassett claimed
six fours in a stay of an hour and
25 minutes, which produced 53
runs.

Hit out freely

Neil Harvey hit out freely after
an uncomfortable start to score 56
in an hour and 43 minutes. He
was unbroken when Hassett de-
clared the innings closed.

Michael Melle, 19 years old, the
youngest player in the South
African side, took five wickets for
113 runs. In one spell he took the
wickets of Miller, Sam Loxton and
Ian Johnson for 28 runs.

South Africa's opening pair,
Eric Rowan and Jack Nel, boldly
took the edge off the Australian
attack of Lindwall, Bill
Johnston and Miller. They put
on 84 in 48 minutes to beat the
previous best opening stand by
South Africa in the series, which
was 50 set up in the first Test
by Rowan and Owen Wynne.

Rowan batted attractively, scor-
ing all round the wicket, and was
undefeated with 52.

The wicket was still unrespon-
sive, but off-spinner Ian Johnson
occasionally made the ball turn
sharply.

The scoreboard at the end of
the second day read:
Australia: 1st innings 465
for eight declared.

South Africa:
E. Rowan not out 52
J. Nel not out 21

Extras 4
Total (for no wkt.) 77
—Reuter.

DONATIONS TO
HK WORKERS

San Francisco, February 11.
Peking radio said today that
the Standing Committee of the
All-China Federation of Labour
has decided to send 50,000,000
People's dollars to Hong Kong
tramway workers. The broadcast
was heard here by the Associated
Press.—Associated Press.

COMING TO THE
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"It's in a class by itself.
You've got to see this
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Story by BENJAMIN SCHWARTZ
Music by MAX REINHEIM

COMING TO THE

LEE &
LIBERTYWATCH FOR THE
OPENING DATE

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Well, she landed him! Boy! Did you see her shove her
finger into that ring?"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

The Authority on Authorities

HOW WOULD YOU GUESS?

YOU HAVE been doubled by
the defender at your left after
reaching a game contract in a
major suit. He has rattled off
three aces against you, on
each of which his partner played
a low card. Then he led a card
of unimportant size to you, in a
suit where you held all of the
main winners. The only card
remaining out against you as a
threat to your contract is the
king of trumps. Two small ones
also are missing. You lead the
suit from the dummy toward your
ace-queen. What would you
guess as the winning play? Put
up the ace and try to drop the
king? Or finesse?

S J 9 8 3 2
H 3
D K Q 6 4
C K 10 6
S K 7 5
H A Q 7 5
D A 10 8
C A J 8 5 4
S A Q 10 6 4
H K J 10 4
D Q J 3
C Q 2

(Dealer: West. East-West vul-
nerable).
West North East South
1 C Pass Pass 1 S
2 H 3 S Pass 4 S
Dbl

With the necessity of leading
or underleading an ace, West
chose to start the defence with
his club. Seeing the diamond
K then in dummy, and having
received the 2 from his partner
on the first lead, he next scored
the diamond A. Getting another
2 on that, he still expected to find
something in the East, so laid
down the heart A. That brought
the third 2 from East. From a

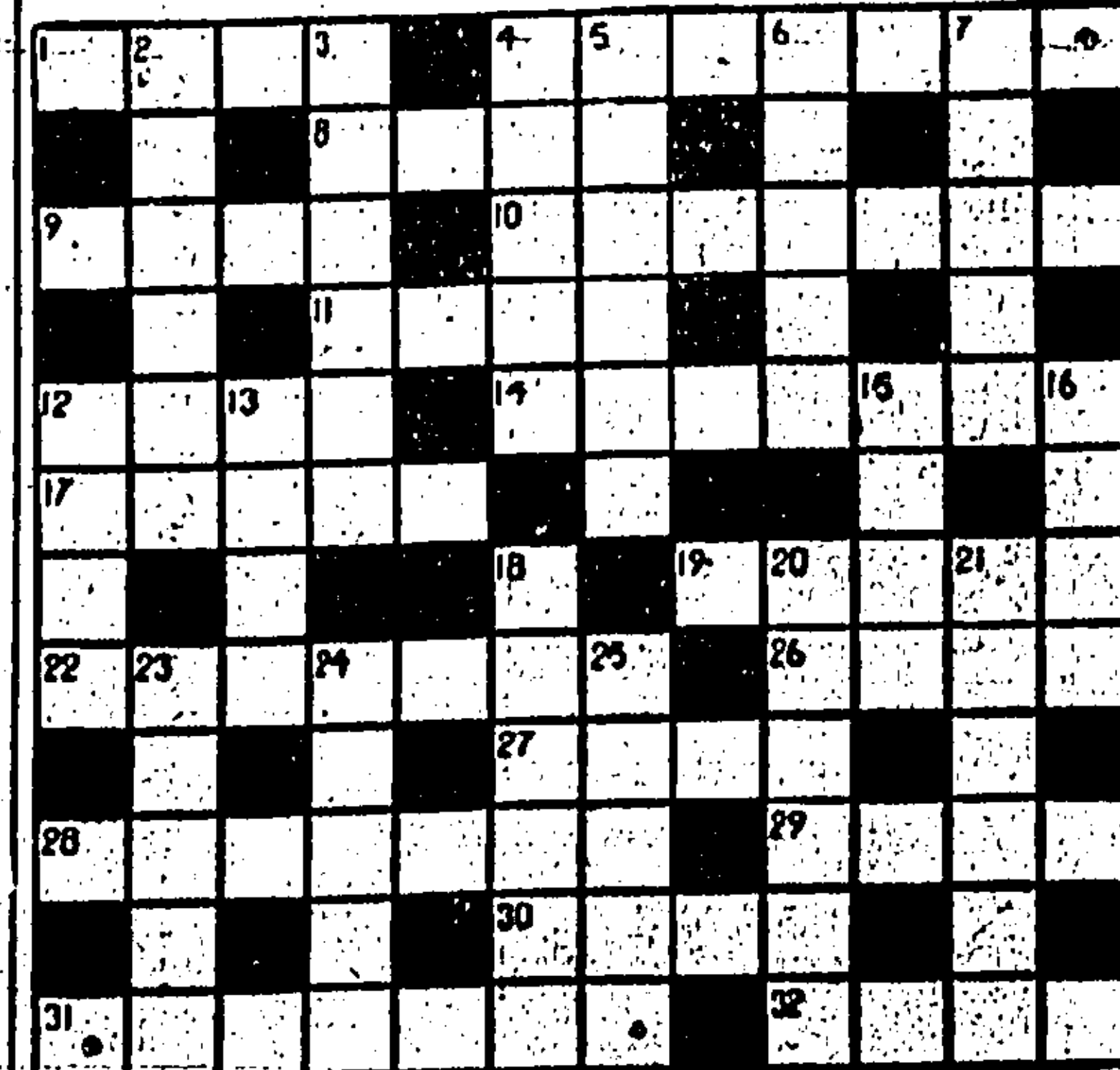
choice of evils, he then chose to
lead the diamond 8.
South had already analysed his
problem and saw that it con-
cerned only what to do about the
trump K. So he won the dia-
mond trick in dummy and acted
on his preconceived plan. He
realised West probably had five
clubs and four hearts originally,
had already shown two diamonds
and had two other cards left,
which might be one each in dia-
monds and spades or two in
either suit. Having no safe play
to get a more exact count, he
played his hunch right away,
leading the spade 2 from dum-
my. East put on the 4.

Of course, if West now had the
K and 7, no play could win.
South finally guessed that if
West held the K unguarded, he
would not have doubled, which
would encourage South to try for
the drop. He reckoned the dou-
ble indicated West did not hold
the K and that it was partly to
cause a finesse if East held a
trump honour. So South finessed,
to be down one trick. Why
would be your guess in this spot,
if you didn't know West?

Tomorrow's Problem
S Q 7 6 5
H Q
D A 9 7
C A K 8 5
S A K 8 4
H 5
D 10 6 4 2
C J 7 4 2
S J 10 3
H A K 6 4 3 2
D Q 3
C 8 3

(Dealer: North. Both sides vul-
nerable).
What constitutes correct de-
fence against South's 4-Hearts in
this deal?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

1 Locality.
4 Erech.
8 Scottish
dance.
9 Entreaty.
10 Heathrow,
for ex-
ample.
11 Plate.
12 Felt.
14 Obstruct.
15 Bedeck.
19 Tetch.

Down

2 Wan.
3 Merchant.
4 Lead.
5 Bring to
light.
6 Fleet.
7 Slip.
12 Four down,
13 Blockhead.
15 Wicked.
16 Symbol.
18 Course
through life.
20 Negligent.
21 Road.
23 Snow hut.
24 Heron.
26 Shelf.

Saturday's Crossword

ACROSS—1 Record, 5 Cross, 8
Aerie, 9 Pencil, 10 Talon, 11 De-
bar, 12 Acre, 13 Deter, 14 Secede, 15 Trip, 16 Antim, 17 Chase, 18 Rev-



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SHOWING TODAY

Fort Santiago

English Dialogue

NEXT: ROBERT CAMOUR • CHARLES DAUGHTON

CHANGE: THE GIRL FROM MANHATTAN

FEARS RISING OVER BERLIN BLOCKADE

Berlin, February 11.

ATOMIC CONTROL PROBLEM

Washington, February 11. Mr. Tom Connally, Republican Senator and Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said today that the United States at an appropriate time may try to reach agreement with Russia on the control of atomic weapons.

This move would probably be made through the United Nations, he said, and not as a direct peace bid from the United States to the Soviet Government.

Mr. Connally told reporters he understands that the State Department is now reviewing the entire sweep of American foreign policy.

He made it clear that he strongly supports the policy of confronting Russia with power as set forth by President Truman and the Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson.

Mr. Connally insisted that the United States' decision to make no new offers to Russia on the control of atomic and hydrogen weapons has not closed the door to international agreement.

Mr. Connally, who has been in touch with Mr. Acheson in the past few days, authorized this statement.

"The President's directive to the Atomic Energy Commission to proceed with the building of the hydrogen bomb in no way closes the door to international agreement for the control of the hydrogen bomb, the atomic bomb and other weapons of mass destruction."

"The United States alone cannot settle international policy. At an appropriate time, the United States may, through the United Nations, make an attempt to seek an international agreement which would be effective and would provide measures for guaranteeing proper controls,"—Reuter.

PRISON RIOT

Madras, February 11. Nineteen were killed and 40 injured when the prison police opened fire today in Salem gaol (South India) to bring under control serious rioting by prisoners, according to official sources here tonight.

According to the latest reports, Communist prisoners in Salem gaol, refusing to obey official instructions, attacked wardens with sticks and broken glass panes. The wardens fired and 50 were injured. Nineteen of them died later.

The Salem district magistrate has visited the prison and the situation is now reported to be under control.—Reuter.

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Screen Play by Gifford Jay

Directed by Lew Landau • Produced by Sam Wain

COMING TO THE

LEE & LIBERTY

BOB HOPE • FLEMING

Great Love

WATCH FOR THE OPENING DATE

Blockade fears are rising in Germany today as East and West accuse one another of breaking agreements.

The Western Commandants in Berlin alleged that the Soviet authorities had banned the export of all metal scrap to West Germany in defiance of the Paris agreement for the lifting of the blockade.

In a strongly worded letter they warned the Soviet Commandant, Alexander Kotikov, that they are not prepared to accept this situation.

East Germany's inter-zonal trade chief, Herr Josef Orloff, accused the United States of starting a blockade against the East German Republic by banning the export of steel from West to East Germany.

"The wheels of industry in East Germany will not stop turning for one day," he declared. "We will get the steel elsewhere."

Herr Orloff accused the West German authorities of deliberately sabotaging the Frankfurt inter-zonal trade agreement by imposing impossible conditions on the sale of East German goods.

He denied that the steel ban was justified because—as asserted by the United States—East Germany was fallen behind with its deliveries under the Frankfurt agreement.

Now measures

Herr Orloff threatened that in the next few days new measures would be taken against West German businessmen who took advantage of the six to one rate of exchange between East and West marks to buy goods in the East and smuggle them into the West.

H-bomb warning To U.S.

Washington, February 11.

Dr. Lapp said tonight that a hydrogen bomb blitz could wipe out the United States' major cities and kill 10 to 15,000,000 Americans in one day.

Dr. Lapp, who worked on the atom bomb during the war and since has been a consultant in nuclear science to various agencies and institutions, said the people should be given a prospectus on the H-bomb with simple facts about the bomb's effects.

He also urged the Government to initiate the dispersal of industries and limitation of the size of cities by decentralising its own agencies. The Senate should meet in nearby Alexandria, Virginia, and the House in Bethesda, Maryland, he said.

He estimated that the H-bomb will inflict damage to as large an area as 100 square miles and scar with hell rays a region of 200-400 square miles. He believes that the H-bomb, for maximum effect, will be exploded about four miles above the ground.—United Press.

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He did not define these measures, but some observers fear that more rigid controls will be carried out on West-bound road and rail traffic between Berlin and the Western zones.

The Western Commandants told Kotikov that they had evidence of orders from the Soviet-controlled Railways imposing rigid controls on all rail shipments of metal scrap, with the sole exception of shipments bound for Eastern European countries.

They objected to Kotikov's contention that the lorries were carrying copper and lead scrap looted from the Soviet-occupied area.

Barge released

The reason for the ban on scrap exports from Berlin, a British official said, is an extreme shortage in East Germany.

This had been caused by exorbitant reparations deliveries of scrap exacted by the USSR and scrap exports to Poland and Czechoslovakia which have been enforced on Russian orders.

A British spokesman said that a tug and a barge loaded with wheat for Berlin were today released by the East German canal authorities at Spandau Lock after an intervention.

The East German authorities had alleged that the tug's papers were not in order and said that they must hand over the barge to another tug.

Spandau Lock is in the middle of the British sector of Berlin. The spokesman said that the East German canal authorities had twice stopped two barges loaded with steel scrap from the French sector of Berlin destined for sale to Belgium.

The barge had been detained early in January, released as soon as the ice made it impossible for the barge to continue and then held again as soon as the thaw came this week.

Several German lorries loaded with scrap had been turned back at Holmstedt during January, and none had tried to go down the Autobahn since, he added.—Reuter.

BURMA ELECTIONS MAY BE PUT OFF

Rangoon, February 12. Authoritative sources said today that Burma's first general elections, due for May 4, may be postponed a year because of internal strife.

The informants said the Election Supervisory Commission will recommend the delay to the Burmese Parliament next week.—Associated Press.

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Purge in East Germany slowing down

Berlin, February 11.

The purge of East Zone Liberals and Christian Democrats, which reached a peak on Wednesday, appears to have slowed down for the week-end.

Neither the Soviet-licensed news agency ADN nor the East German evening newspapers had any resignations or dismissals to report today—for the first time in many weeks.

West German reports that East Germany's Foreign Minister, Herr George Dertinger, is under house arrest were denied today by Herr Gerhart Eisler, East German Information chief.

The British-controlled newspaper "Die Welt" said that Herr Dertinger, a leading Soviet Zone Christian Democrat, had been arrested for neglecting his duty of control as a Minister.—Reuter.

HUNGARY ACCUSES BRITON

Budapest, February 11. The Hungarian Vice-Premier, Matyas Rakosi, has accused an American and a Briton waiting trial here on spying charges, of being professional agents with the rank of Captain and Colonel, respectively.

Rakosi, who is also General-Secretary of the Workers' Party, made the allegations in a speech last night to a session of the Central Committee of his Party.

He was referring to Robert Vogler, American Vice-President of the International Standard Electric Company with offices in Vienna, and his local representative in Budapest, Edgar Sanders, a Briton. Sanders was previously known to have been a Captain in the British Military Intelligence Service in the war but Vogler's background has not been disclosed.

Both face trial with five Hungarians in a Budapest court on February 17.

Rakosi, in his speech, made public tonight, said that the British and American Governments had used threats to force the release of their "spies".

He said that Hungary did not want to have any conflict with anyone, but "if America and Britain think that with threats or pressure they can force us to permit the free roaming in our country of their spies they will discover that they were mistaken."

Rakosi also said that Hungary would not go to the International Court at The Hague to discuss the charges made against Hungary by Britain and the United States.—Reuter.

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CHURCHILL REPEATS CHARGES AGAINST SOCIALIST POLICY

"Carried away by foreign theme of thought"

London, February 11.

Mr. Winston Churchill said tonight that the Socialists had been carried away by a foreign-bred theme of thought. He declared that Britain faces difficult times, but expressed confidence that the hazards of the future could be overcome by a Conservative government.

The 75-year-old Tory leader spoke at Sevenoaks in Kent before a crowd of 2,000 jammed into the narrow main street. Many of the audience were old friends and neighbours, since Mr. Churchill's country home lies within the Sevenoaks constituency.

He recalled to the crowd that he had lived among them for nearly 30 years.

Mr. Churchill's speech repeated many of the charges with which he has been hammering away at the Socialist Government.

Mr. Churchill claimed: "Another plunge into Socialism at this juncture would definitely derange the whole foundation of British economy and may well lose us not only our great place in the world but the standards we have hitherto been able to maintain for the life of the people as a whole."

He declared that the election had been called for February because the Government did not dare to face the results of a budget which they would have had to produce.

"They wanted to leave the unpopularity of an increase in the

cost of living to others besides themselves or get a fresh lease of life which would have carried them on."

"Times of difficulty lie ahead, but I do not fear that we cannot overcome them with good resolute action and a faithful Government not seeking mere popularity, not carried away by some academic doctrine, foreign-bred theme of thought but trying to deal with the problems that lie around us," said Mr. Churchill.

Cripps attacks Churchill

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, leader of the Labour Party, took a night off after making almost a score of speeches in the first three days of his nine-day, 1,000-mile tour of Britain.

Other Labour speakers remained active, however. The Exchequer, Sir Stafford Cripps, attacked Mr. Churchill for the Tory leader's statement that a Conservative Government might be able to increase the petrol ration.

Sir Stafford declared: "This is one of the most irresponsible acts I have known in election time."

He declared: "It is not possible to extend the consumption of petrol in this country unless we are going to cut it from some other kind of dollar expenditure."

Sir Stafford said Mr. Churchill's statement might make more difficult negotiations in Washington with the American Government and the oil companies to see how far they could substitute Sterling oil for dollar oil.

Sir Stafford, who was speaking at Nailsworth, Gloucestershire, added that the Labour Government had, on the whole, been remarkably successful in getting the best out of all the resources for the ordinary people of the country and not to allow them to leak away for lesser purposes of luxury spending.

Morrison speaks to farmers

The Deputy Prime Minister, Herbert Morrison, today said, "I am content to be judged by the record of what this Government has done for agriculture."

He said it was more than any other British Government had done in peacetime. Mr. Morrison, the Labour Party's head strategist, claimed his Party had fulfilled its 1945 campaign pledge to give priority to the supply of farm tools.

He spoke in the Somerset market town of Frome on the second day of a four-day Western tour in his campaign for the election.

Mr. Morrison said Britain is now growing about two-fifths of her own food in terms of calories against less than one-third before the war.

He told his audience: "I am sure that farmers in the years ahead will, with our support, grow more and better food at even lower cost."

The Conservative Party says in its platform that it expects British agriculture to produce half again as much as before the war.

Proud record

Mr. Morrison said of all farm products, "Only meat is still seriously below the pre-war level and that is now pulling up."

Britain is raising a quarter more bread grains, twice as much coarse grains like oats and barley, nearly a quarter more milk, twice as many potatoes and a third more sugar, he said.

Meat and sugar are still rationed. Break, milk and potatoes are not.

Senator asks halt in U.S. foreign aid

Washington, February 11. Mr. Walter George, Democrat Senator (Georgia), Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, today called for a halt in the indefinite foreign spending which, he said, is driving the United States towards bankruptcy.

Mr. George, who is also a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, told a reporter that the United States must cut down on its overseas aid ventures.

"We must pull back in our aid abroad," he said, "and strengthen military defences and economy at home."

Mr. George said that the Russians' cold war policies are designed to weaken the American economy.—Reuter.

BRITISH RAILS FOR RED CHINA

London, February 11. Britain has decided not to comply with the projected United States ban on the export of steel rails to Communist China, informed sources said today. The decision was taken following a conference this week of Board of Trade officials and representatives of the Iron and Steel Federation.

Informed quarters say Britain does not consider steel rails to be a strategic export, and that they are not subject to an export licence. These sources said: "The British Government has published its list of banned exports and does not propose to alter it. Steel rails are not included in the list."

There have been further enquiries from China for steel rails during the last two weeks, and it has been decided to fulfill them as far as possible through the quota system to which rail exports are subjected.

The decisions on the quantity of steel rails to be supplied to China will be taken on purely commercial grounds, with special consideration being given to old customers. It is also admitted that the extent of the rail quotas for China will be determined by the amount of wolfram which can be obtained in exchange.

Western German newspapers are complaining that Britain had stolen the Chinese Government's order for 100,000 tons of steel rails. The newspapers said the order was originally offered to two steel firms in the Ruhr.

British officials said the German firms were prevented from fulfilling the contract by the Joint Export-Import Agency, and that no independent action had been taken by the British Private Firm in Britain have the right to enter into commercial contracts concerning exports of steel rails independent of Government permission, these officials said.—United Press.

SINO-CZECH TRADE TALKS

Prague, February 11. A Czechoslovak trade delegation left here last night for Peking for talks with the Chinese Communist Government, the official Czech news agency reported today.—Reuter.

Dato Onn Bin Jusar, President of the United Malays National Organisation.—Associated Press and Reuter.

SE ASIA TOLD TO PRODUCE MORE RICE

Rangoon, February 11.

The International Rice Commission's conference ended here today with the warning that South East Asia, with its rapidly expanding population, must produce more food—mainly rice.

Conference delegates from 19 nations agreed that increased production will be possible only if greater acreages are found and farmers are protected from their deadliest foe—the death-dealing malaria mosquito.

They also agreed there must be more abundant technical aid through funds of the Food and Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations.

The conference recommended a training centre to teach farmers how to coax the utmost from the land.

Prince Sithiporn Kridakara, Thailand's 77-year-old former Minister of Agriculture, was re-elected Chairman. The chief Burmese delegate, U Khin, and Mr. Stanley Andrews, head of the United States delegation, were elected first and second Vice-Chairman, respectively.

Prince Kridakara, terminating the six-day session, emphasised the Commission's desire to improve the well-being of the farmer. He said this would be possible only through increased rice production, which could be accomplished if the member Governments fully co-operated by accepting and implementing the Commission's recommendations.

Malnutrition

He urged delegates to get the co-operation of their Governments in banishing malnutrition from South East Asia.

The experts in dietetics and rice breeding met daily to plan the "vitaminisation" of far Eastern countries, through improved rice strains, weed killers, increased rice yields and higher quality food for needy populations.

The main conference was preceded by meetings of the South East Asia nutrition committee and rice breeders, meeting in separate groups to complete reports for the parent meeting.

The nutritionists made recommendations whereby protein-giving substitutes would be provided for rice eaters in lands lacking milk, fish and poultry.

Genetic catalogue

The rice growers forwarded suggestions for improving rice grains but suspended decision pending evidence of mechanical farming in rain-soaked countries.

The delegates welcome the FAO announcement of a catalogue of genetic stocks whereby world breeders can obtain from the FAO names of the best breeds and where they may be found to meet their needs.

The conference selected Bandung, in Indonesia, for its third annual meeting next month, after the Chief Indonesian delegate, Mr. Sukardi Tjitropanjito, expressed confidence that law and order soon would be restored in his country.—Associated Press.—Reuter.

LEWIS FACING REVOLT

Washington, February 11.

Union President John L. Lewis today ordered his striking soft coal workers to return to the job under a Taft-Hartley law injunction, but there were immediate signs of revolt from the Union rank and file.

Some Union miners said flatly they would not go back to work without a contract. Prolonged negotiations have failed to produce a contract.

Mr. Lewis acted quickly in compliance with a United States Court order, telegraphing District Presidents to send the 370,000 striking miners back to work forthwith.

Spokesmen for various locals, however, do not expect the men to go back to work.

The local at Robena, Pennsylvania, the biggest in the United Mine Workers, held a meeting after the Court order came out and voted unanimously to disregard it.

After Mr. Lewis' instructions, the local President John Ozanich said: "Robena still says no. We will not go back until we get a contract."—Associated Press.

MINE EXPLODES IN SEWER

Athens, February 11. A mine exploded today in a sewer under the front of the Hotel Anglerie, where the British and Australian delegations to the United Nations Special Committee on the Balkans have their offices.

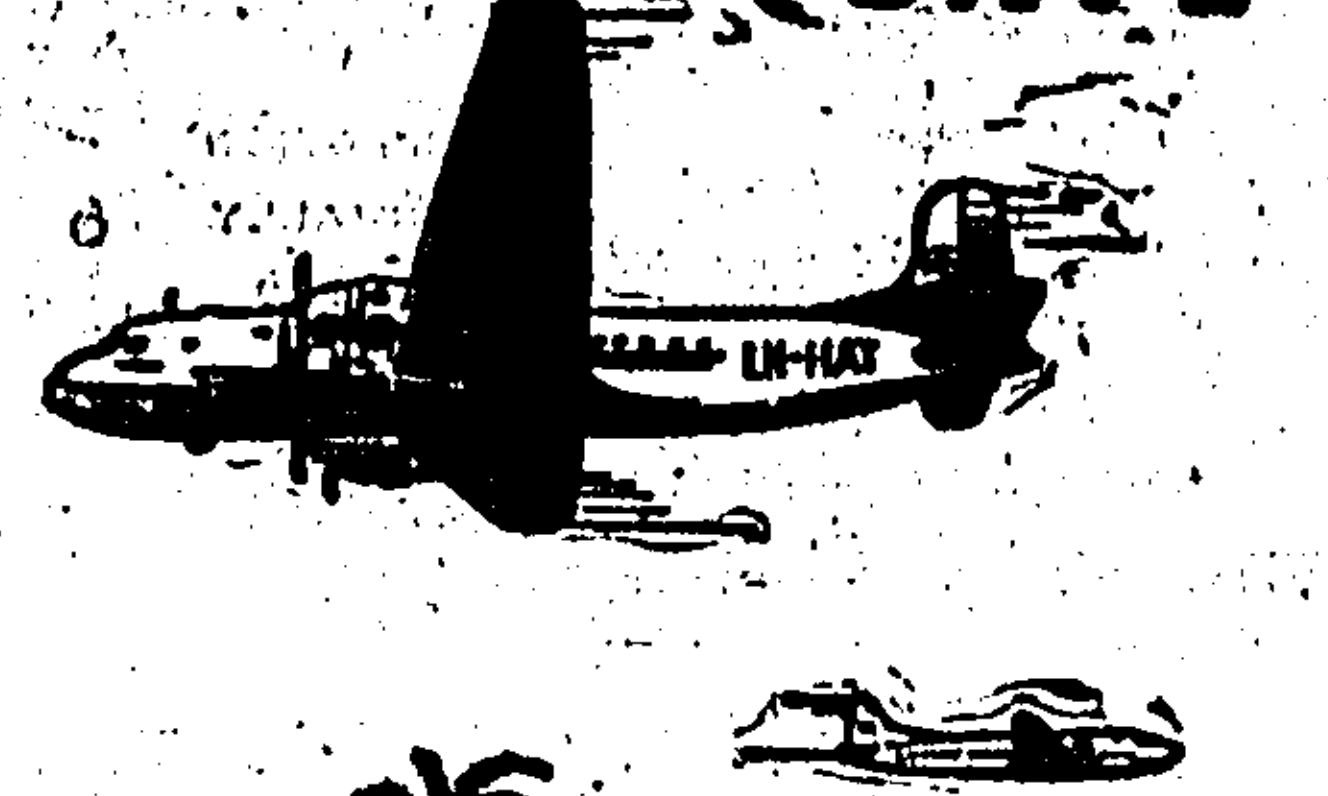
A Greek soldier's foot was blown off. The explosion occurred during an inspection of the sewers.—Reuter.

HK SWISS CONSUL GOING TO PEKING

Berne, February 11. The Acting Swiss Consul in Hong Kong, 40-year-old Mr. Sven Stinner, has been appointed Chargé d'Affaires in Peking to establish first contact with the new Government there.

The announcement follows receipt of a cable from the Chinese Communist Government to the Swiss Government stating its readiness to establish diplomatic relations. Switzerland recognised the Peking regime on January 17.—Reuter.

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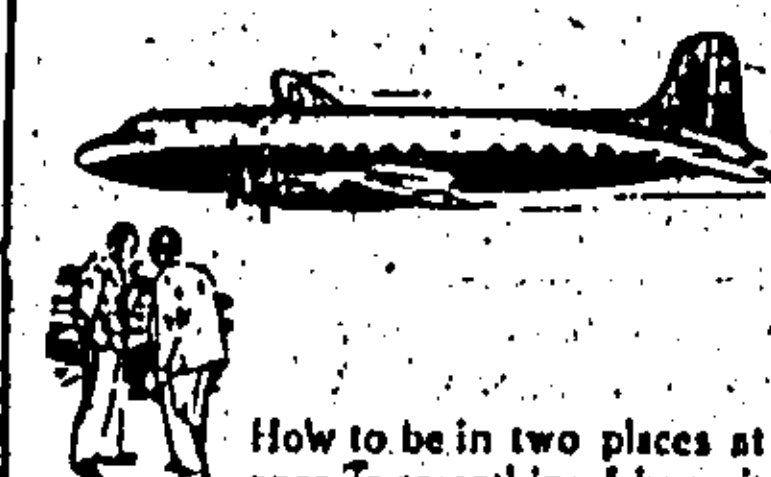
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SHOTS FIRED AT ADMIRAL

London, February 11.

The Director of Naval Intelligence reported he was shot at by gunmen today, but Scotland Yard said he was mistaken.

Rear-Admiral Eric Longley-Cook told police that two bullets from a moving car struck his windshield while he was driving in the outskirts of London.

Scotland Yard later said detectives had examined his windshield and concluded it was not broken by bullets.

The statements came while Scotland Yard and Military Intelligence operatives are pressing a great counter-espionage drive touched off by the Fuchs atom case.

Admiral Longley-Cook had said he chased the car for 15 miles but failed to catch it.

He gave the police the car's number, and said the shots had seemed to come from it. "The chase was not satisfactory, because I and could not make any speed," the Admiral said.

"But I did follow another car till I lost it on the outskirts of London. I reported the incident to the first policeman I came across in London."

The admiral told a reporter: "I was driving up to London from Buckinghamshire. Not very far from Northolt aerodrome (London area) the windshield of my car was suddenly shattered."

"It certainly looked to me as if a small bullet or two went through it. I cannot imagine any motive for the attack, but one never knows."

Admiral Longley-Cook, aged 51, was appointed Director of Naval Intelligence two years ago after being Chief of Staff to the Commander-in-Chief of the Home Fleet. He was decorated for his part in planning the invasion of Sicily.

The Criminal Investigation Department at Uxbridge, where the incident took place, confirmed Scotland Yard's statement.

A spokesman told reporters: "There are definitely no bullet holes in the windshield."

He speculated that a stone may have been thrown up from the road when the car Admiral Longley-Cook chased, passed him.

The Uxbridge CID said more than four hours later that detectives were trying to track down the car and hoped to reach the driver soon.—Associated Press and Reuter.

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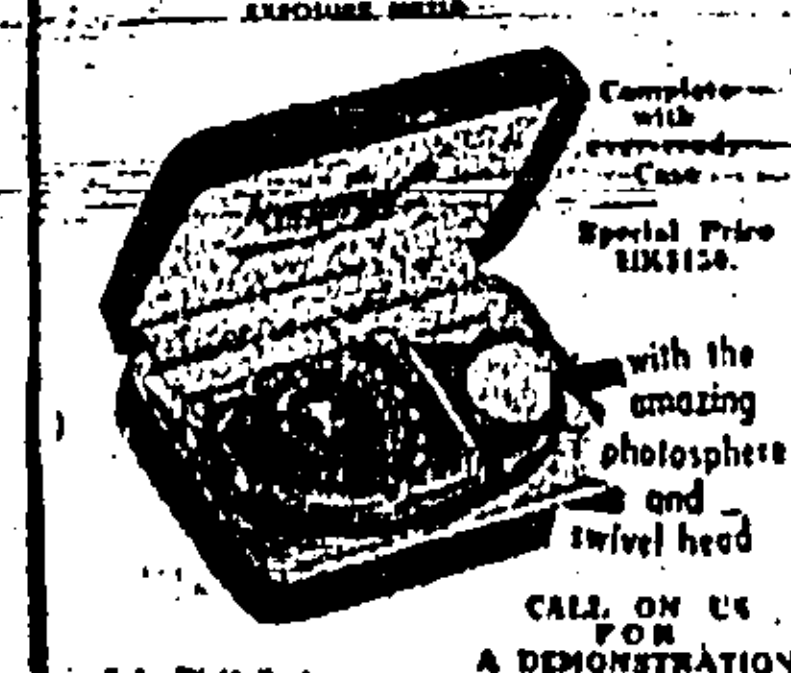
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WHITE HOUSE MEETING ON PACIFIC DEFENCES

Washington, February 11.
With battle lines rapidly shaping for the second
round of the cold war in Asia, President Harry
Truman today received a first-hand report
from the nation's big four military leaders on
America's defences in the Pacific and Far
East.

An extraordinary White House conference, brought
about by the return on Friday night of the
Joint Chiefs of Staff from a 10-day trip
through the Pacific, coincided with evidence
in several other quarters that both the United
States and Russia are stepping up their actions
and interests in the struggle for Asia.

At least some indication of
what General Omar N. Bradley
and the other members of the
four-man military high com-
mand told President Truman
will be given in a new con-
ference here on Monday.

The meeting had far-reach-
ing diplomatic as well as mili-
tary significance was indicated
by the fact that the Under-Secretary
of State, James Webb, attended
the conference along with the
Defence Secretary, Mr. Louis John-
son, the Defence Under-Secretary,
Mr. Stephen Early, and the heads
of the Army, Navy and Air Force
Departments.

The Joint Chiefs had visited
Japan, Okinawa, Guam and
Hawaii, the main military pos-
itions upon which America's total
power in the Asiatic-Far Eastern
area rests. Presumably they had
explored with General Douglas
MacArthur, as Commander in
Japan, such questions as the ade-
quacy of American forces assign-
ed to the area, the strategic situ-
ation created by the Communist
conquest of China, and the pros-
pects for Japanese security and
the maintenance of American
troops in Japan following a peace
treaty.

While the meeting focused at-
tention on the Far Eastern situ-
ation here, other developments
emphasized to an even greater
degree the lines of conflict in that
area of the global struggle. They
were:

1. State Department officials
are studying reports from Mos-
cow suggesting that the two-
month conference between Rus-
sian and Chinese Communist lead-
ers may be about at an end.

2. President Truman's Roving
Ambassador, Dr. Philip C. Jessup,
is preparing in Bangkok, Siam,
for the opening on Monday of a
conference with American diplo-
mats in the Far East. Dr. Jessup,
one of the designers of present
U.S. policy in Asia, is expected to
share Washington's future plans
with the ambassador and collect
from them ideas on what they
think ought to be done.

3. American Government offi-
cials are expecting an appeal
shortly from the newly-recognized
state of Vietnam for American aid.
This and two other French-sup-
ported Governments in Indo-
China are under the shadow of
expanding Chinese Communism.
Many here believe Indo-China
will be the target of the next

Communist push. Vietnam Chief
Bao Dai and the French Army
guarding his country against
actual military invasion appear
reasonably certain of American
help.

Actually, most of the cold war
planners here seem to feel that in
the present stage of the fight in
the Far East, the struggle is main-
ly of an economic and political
nature with military power play-
ing an important but, for the mo-
ment, supporting and protective
role. Only on Friday, the Export-
Import Bank granted \$100,000,000
credit to Indonesia, the newly in-
dependent nation whose enormous
natural wealth makes it, in terms
of the cold war, one of the great
prizes of the struggle.

The Defence Secretary, Louis
Johnson, said the Joint Chiefs will
disclose a grand story on Pacific
unification of the Armed Forces at
their news conference on Monday.

But it is in terms of the devel-
opment of the Pacific area that
most interest here centres on the
inspection mission. And for a clue
as to how this may shape up on
the Russian side, American officials
are looking to the results of the
Russian-Chinese conference in
Moscow.

One strong speculation here is
that in return for special rights
and privileges in North China,
the Russians may very well have
promised their Chinese allies
strong help in pushing through
Red conquests of areas of South
East Asia.—Associated Press.

BRITAIN COMING
THROUGH

Havana, February 12.
"It will take lots of hard work,
but Britain is coming through its
present problem," Sir Harry Jeph-
cott, President of the Association
of British Chemical Manufacturers,
told an audience here.

The British Chemical Industry
is working on a development and
expansion programme costing
nearly £200,000,000, he said.

Regardless of the party which
wins the general election, he said,
Britain's health and other social
programmes will continue.—Asso-
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9.30—Concise & Keyboard.
10.00—Music For All.
10.15—African Melodies.
10.30—Parade of Rhythms.
P.M.
12.00—H.K. Stock Exchange.
12.15—Tune Time.
12.30—Band Call.
1.00—Piano.
1.15—News.
1.30—Orchestral Concert.
2.00—Afternoon Musicale.
4.00—Bill Bryant and His Wildcat.
4.15—Today's Chorus.
4.30—Vocalists.
4.45—Music Makers.
5.15—Children's Corner.
5.30—Harmony Hall.
5.45—Radio Headlines.
6.00—Kindness Of Swing.
6.15—Song Of The Islands.
6.30—The Symphonies.
6.45—Do You Remember?
7.00—B.B.C. News.
7.15—Candlight and Silver.
8.00—"Romantic Cycles".
8.15—Sammy Kaye's Orchestra.
8.30—Allen Roth's Symphony of Melody.
9.00—B.B.C. News.
9.10—Local News.
9.15—Hill Songs.
9.30—The King's Theatre Gala Program-
me.
10.00—Music and Moonlight.
10.15—"Variety Bandbox".
11.15—B.B.C. West of England Light
Orchestra.
11.45—End of the Day.
12.00—Close Down.

JESSUP'S HINT ON ASIAN ARMED PACT

Bangkok, February 11.

The United States is not directing its foreign policy
toward war, the U.S. Roving Ambassador,
Philip C. Jessup, said today.

The American envoy reiterated that the U.S. is not
trying to set up a military alliance among
nations of the Far East.

But, he added, if one were
established by Asian interests
on their own initiative, the U.S.
would view it with sympathetic
interest.

Dr. Jessup is here for a con-
ference of American diplomats
beginning on Monday.

A Siamese reporter asked whether
it is within the scope of the
conference to go so far as to re-
commend to the State Depart-
ment that the U.S. withdraw from
South East Asia or go to war with
Russia.

Dr. Jessup replied:
"It is outside the scope of the
conference to recommend war.
The United States is not directing
its foreign policy towards war
and no one would be as surprised
as I if recommendations to go to
war were forthcoming."

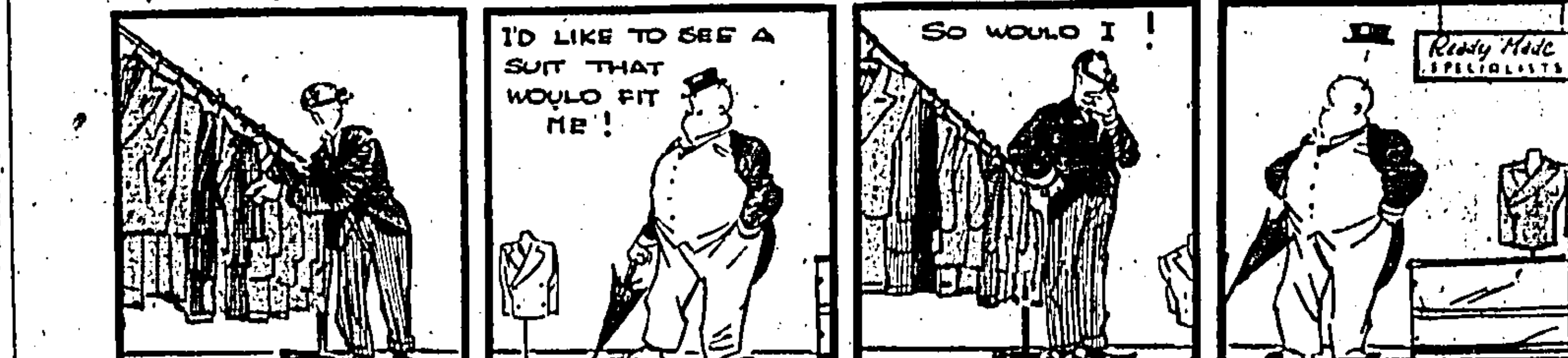
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Taking part in the news con-
ference with Dr. Jessup were Mr.
W. Walton Butterworth, Assistant
Secretary of State for Far East-

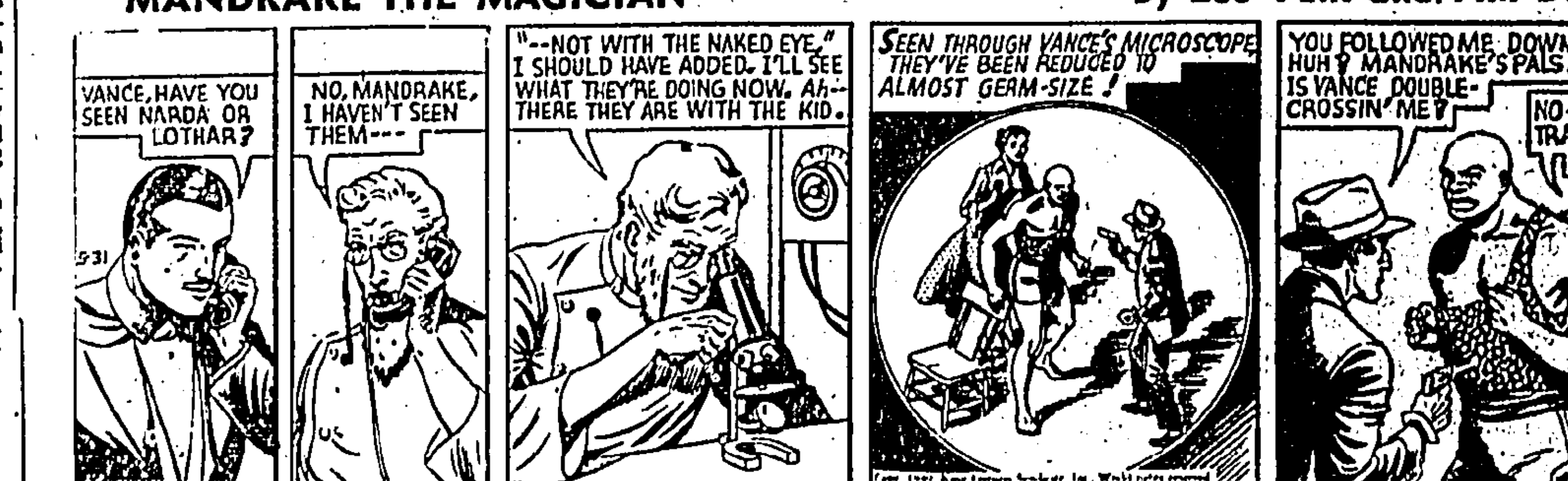
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1.50—"News Weather Report and An-
nouncements".
1.55—"Interlude".
2.00—"Music For You".
2.05—"Close Down".
6.00—"Hong Kong Calling"—Program-
me Summary.
6.05—"Children's Half Hour"—Presented
by Jack Frost. (Studio)
6.30—"Portuguese Half Hour"—(Studio)
7.00—"World News and News Analysis."
(London Relay)
7.15—"Songs of the Range".
7.30—"Off the Record"—Presented by
Ronnie Gibbons. (Studio)
8.00—"From the Editorials"—(London
Relay)
8.10—"Linda Cater Talks on Films".
(Studio)
8.25—"I Like What I Like"—Presented
by Brian O'Brien. (Studio)
8.35—"Smash and Grab"—A Thelmer
by Norman Edwards. Produced
for the Hong Kong Stage Club
by Jack Gush. (Studio)
9.00—"The Philharmonic Orchestra"
with the London Philharmonic
Orchestra.
10.00—"Radio News Reel"—(London
Relay)
10.15—"Weather Report".
10.15—"Spanish Nights"—Introduced by
"Betina". (Studio)
10.30—"The Philharmonic Orchestra"
with the London Philharmonic
Orchestra.
10.40—"Music for Dancing".
11.15—"Weather Report World News and
Home News from Britain, (Lon-
don Relay Recorded).
God Save the King.
11.30—"Close Down".

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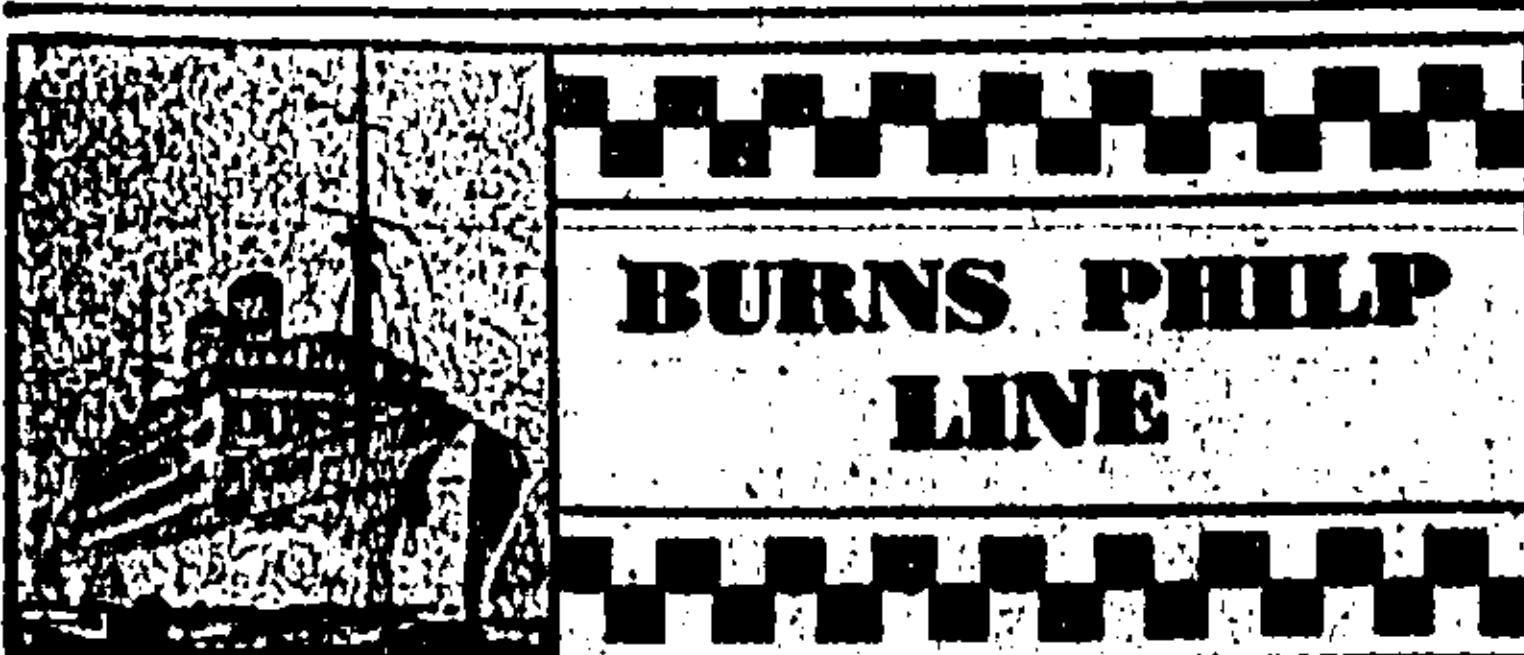
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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

BRITAIN RELEASING ISRAEL'S BALANCES

London, February 12.

The Treasury announced today an Anglo-Israel agreement giving the Holy Land the right to spend £3,000,000 this year of the money Britain owes her for war expenses. In addition, the pact allows Israel to:

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The pact covers the year up to December 31, 1950. The negotiators agreed to the release of an additional £500,000 for November and December of last year.

The previous agreement expired in November.

The Treasury said British charitable institutions would be able to send up to £2,250,000 this year to Israel, an increase of £75,000 over the previous year.

Ex-resident's money

Repatriation of money in Israel belonging to former British residents will continue to be allowed within reasonable amounts, the Treasury said.

Israel's blocked Sterling is part of more than £3,000,000,000 Britain owes her Commonwealth and other countries for war time supplies and services.

She has been releasing part of the Sterling held for these debts each year since the war. Some Government critics have complained that the rate at which the debts are being cancelled is endangering the nation's economy.

Britain and Israel are also conferring on settlement of claims and counter claims resulting from the ending of Britain's League of Nations mandate over Palestine.

There have been no results of these talks announced thus far.—Associated Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Damaged packages are to be left in the godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at 10 a.m. on February 16, 1950.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

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Malaya's dollar earnings

London, February 12.

Malaya earned more dollars for the Commonwealth in 1949 than Britain did, the Colonial Office announced last night.

The annual report on Malaya for 1949, said that Malaya produced 45.9 per cent of the world's rubber in that year, in spite of widespread banditry and the legions of Japanese occupation.

Malaya also produced 28 per cent of the world's tin.

"The Federation of Malaya can justifiably be said to have met and broken the first onslaught of militant Communism upon any territory associated with the Western democracies, within the first year of its existence."

The rice problem remained a major weakness in the country's economy and was unlikely to be removed while the population grew at the present rate.—Router.

WHEAT FOR INDIA

Melbourne, February 12.

The Chairman of the Australian Wheat Board, F. H. M. Cullen, announced today that Australia will sell to India 10,000,000 bushels of wheat, including 50,000 tons in the form of flour.

The wheat is sold at 18 shillings a bushel, the maximum price under the International Wheat Agreement.—Associated Press.

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulation, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when dutiable goods are examined.

All damaged cargo claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before March 6, 1950, or they will not be recognised.

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BAGGAGE In view of Chinese New Year holidays, all passengers baggage must be sent to the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Coy's Godown, at No. 2 Gate, Canton Road Entrance at the following times:—
Heavy baggage by NOON on WEDNESDAY the 15th FEBRUARY Cabin baggage by NOON on THURSDAY the 16th FEBRUARY.

SPECIAL NOTE With the exception of hand packages carried by passengers themselves ALL BAGGAGE must pass through the Wharf Coy's Godown for loading on board by ships' crews only.

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"STRAAT MALAKKA"	15th Feb.	23rd Feb.
"BOISSEVAIN"	17th Mar.	3rd Apr.

JAPAN

SHIP	ARRIVALS	SAILINGS
"RUYB"	21st Feb.	16th Feb.
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In my log

This language difficulty. It is not new... and until something more feasible than Esperanto comes forward, we have but to resort to the inevitable—the sign language.

This predicament is often the leitmotif of those little dramas that provide the lighter side of our Beat.

Sometimes it is humorous; sometimes it is thought-provoking; and sometimes it becomes most embarrassing.

We recall here just a few incidents to indicate what can generally happen when you find yourself tongue-tied thus—and the remedy where possible.

One missed his taxi—the other a taxi.

Our attention was drawn to a gesticulating European and a constable outside the Marine Office late last week. They were a bewildered pair caught in one of those awkward moments when the Notebook in hand and pen ready, the blue-veined constable smiled knowingly (?) at times... then frowned... shook his head... and eventually gave it up.

They enlisted our aid. A fellow scribe helped untangle the problem.

In a nutshell, this was what had happened.

The European instructed his taxi driver to wait while he went inside the Marine Office on arrival from Blaise Pier. He came out later but there was no taxi in sight.

"I want this policeman to record that I have not deliberately tried to evade payment. I have waited for some time but the driver has not shown up. I was leaning on the curb when the policeman, too, we left the grinning constable whose 'oh!' savoured more of relief than anything else.

(Evidently, the Shanghaiander has still a long way to make the grade in his English lessons.)

Not deaf or dumb but only a Zulu. It was natural that we had to resort to the inevitable when we met Iris Ahmed, Somali-born Zulu seaman of Goboti, North Africa, aboard the ss. Kvernass at Kowloon Wharf some time ago.

New Ahmed was no ordinary seaman. He was a landlubber—a longshoreman—who overslept in the ship's hold and woke up to find himself in the Mediterranean bound for Hong Kong.

He was introduced to us as Rudolph. It was the first Zulu seaman to visit the Colony.

Our tele-a-tele only reached familiar ground when three words came into play—"Yes, savvy" and "no, savvy."

By various means—gesticulation, smiles, grimaces and much head-shaking, we gathered: "Do you like Hong Kong?"—Two thumbs up and a display of pearl-white teeth (He must be). "Do you like seafaring?"—A wide grin and vigorous nods (No doubt about it).

Do you like Chinese food?—Lean fingers clutched at his stomach and he screwed up his ebony-black baby-face with mock pain.

(That was all we knew. Ahmed also made several other signs. We are still trying to interpret them.)

This is not so uncommon. The sight of seeing one Chinese conversing with another through an interpreter is not uncommon. It was the Praya during those hectic evacuation days from North China. It still is today.

This is indeed a thought-provoking. It serves to rub it in that the necessity of having a common dialect in China is of prime importance in the unification of the people.

We were attracted one day by a commotion outside Custodian Wharf after the arrival of the ss. Shengking from Shanghai and noticed a passenger and a coolie engaged in a verbal brawl.

It would have been to us just one of those occasions when frayed tempers would gradually frizzle to beneath-the-breath "slings and arrows" but for the interference of a European missionary.

Then a few chosen words—first spoken in Mandarin, repeated in Cantonese and later in English—helped to smooth matters out.

We learned that the blatant mud-slinging was over payment of service—one alleging he was being exploited, the other was adamant in refusing to accept less than "normal" fees.

When an arbitrator said "woof!" The name (itself is indeed) impressive—Dane Crest Baron Von Malay.

If this first attempt—storing general commercial cargo aboard the LST Chung 106 (in picture)—proves successful, Hong Kong's prevailing acute cargo storage problem will be eased to a certain extent. Government approval of an application by the owner, the LST Chung 106, to use the pier-upon-pier system under consideration. The LST Chung 106, now berthed alongside the CMBN Wharf, West Point, is the first of its kind—up to 100 ft. long and 20 ft. wide. It is a floating godown in an effort to help alleviate the storage shortage. There are at present, according to conservative estimates, some 100 laid-up ships in Victoria Harbour. The Marine Department considers vessels which do not clear port within a month as being in that category. Taking an average of 2,000 tons for the capacity of each vessel, these laid-up ships can accommodate approximately 200,000 tons of cargo—representing five per cent of what is believed to be "surplus" cargo still awaiting storage in the Colony. (China Mail Photo.)

PROFICIENCY OF HK SKILLED LABOURERS

How's your harbour I.Q.?

Skilled labour in the Hong Kong shipbuilding industry has attained an unprecedentedly high degree of proficiency, according to the consensus of local shipbuilding circles.

These authoritative informants mentioned as direct causes the installation of new precision machinery; the adoption of modern technique in shipbuilding; the urgent need for fittings not available from abroad; the change from steam to diesel due to present-day circumstances and the mechanisation of sailing craft.

As a result of this increased efficiency, local shipyards have cut down expenses, produced better work in quality and durability and saved time in carrying out orders.

Training schemes now under way in several dockyards under expert hands will ensure the Colony of maintaining this proficiency in the future. Apprentices are being tutored in the intricacy of modern mechanism and the application of up-to-date technique.

Hong Kong businessmen have already voiced approval of post-war work which has been the main activity in the Colony's shipyards. They have remarked on the punctuality of local shipbuilders, on their better finish than before the war and the higher grade of work.

"Efficiency—the upshot is one of the shipbuilding industry," is ironically the result of the Pacific War and Japanese occupation of Hong Kong.

"Hong Kong saw an unprecedented influx of skilled engineers since the Liberation. This was a popular change from steam which was necessitated by the shortage of coal in the Colony," an official source declared.

The high cost of coal, the demand for more cargo space and quick delivery have been instrumental factors in the re-equipment of the shipbuilding industry. It is one-third less if we use diesel," he added.

The advantages of diesel engines are not new in the Colony. There were quite a number of vessels so equipped before the war. But it was in the last years of the war that more diesel mechanics in Hong Kong than the pre-war number, the source disclosed.

"Today there are 40 times more diesel mechanics in Hong Kong than the pre-war number," he added. "The figure does not include the numerous apprentices now undergoing training in this field. With the change, local shipyards have improved considerably in technique in the operation and handling of the apparatus.

Elaborating on the advantages of using diesel, he asserted that the installation takes less space. This consequently provides extra storage space aboard. Fuel is readily available in the Colony, and cost is down.

"It is easier to operate a diesel engine vessel and to maintain it," an engineer stated. He pointed to the numerous harbour craft which have been equipped with diesel engines. "Above all, it is cleaner," he added.

To quote a prominent yard official of one of the Colony's largest shipbuilding organisations, "We are replacing former facilities with modern equipment to place our yard among the best in the world."

Welding

The most marked development in the popular usage of the welding method in local docks.

Welding workshops have mushroomed in the Colony's shipbuilding centres as the demand grows. New precision machines have been installed. These have considerably augmented the proficiency of Hong Kong's artisans, who are being carefully tutored in the operation of necessary apparatus.

"This method has proved to be effective in ship repair and construction work. The process was greatly improved during the war. Its advantages are obvious," the engineer declared.

"Today practically all repair work and building involve welding instead of the pre-war system of riveting.

"We save time in certain phases of repair work by at least two-thirds. The finished stuff lasts longer and is of better quality," he asserted.

"The current training programme includes the method of welding. The high cost of transportation and of the material itself and the uncertainty of delivery within a specified period have together led to local production of certain shiphanding by Hong Kong manufacturers.

"We have at present a wide range of accessories produced locally. They include fittings, ventilators and lights," a senior official of a well-known ship-chandlery store disclosed.

He asserted that some of the products are better in quality than the imported ones. "Generally, local manufacturers provide keen competition to their foreign counterparts," he added.

New technique has been adopted in the manufacture of certain accessories. Instead of producing pre-war types, casting we now supply chrome-plated or nickel-plated fittings. These are being utilised by many docks not only in Hong Kong but also in neighbouring countries, though the latter have very few of them," the informant stated.

"Certain shipping organisations operating big fleets of harbour utility craft are said to be using locally-manufactured accessories exclusively.

The fishing industry—one which has long been a mainstay of the development of proficiency in the latter.

Many fishing craft are being mechanised today. It has been realised that with mechanical propulsion, one can get a better catch, operate more efficiently and with a greater degree of safety when out at sea.

Several fishing vessels under construction have made the installation of diesel engines an imperative feature. This, in fact, has created another phase of shipbuilding work in the Colony.

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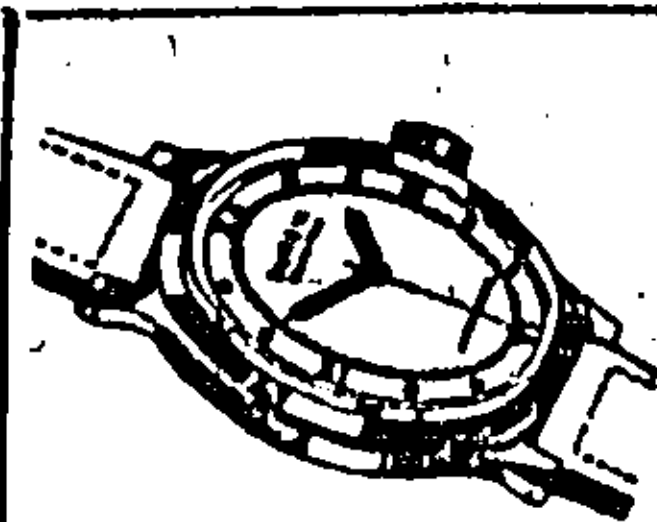
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Sports Pause



Soccer:

St. Joseph's beat Commandos; Club go down to Kwong Wah

The biggest surprise in yesterday's First Division League soccer was the 1-0 defeat of Club at Happy Valley by the lowly placed Kwong Wah.

At Sookunpoo, St. Joseph's beat the Commandos by two goals to one in a game which was marred by the sending off of two players, one from each team, by the referee, Mr. L. G. Young.

Eastern, who visited Boun-dary Street for their game against the Kowloon Motor Bus, proved no match for the busmen and went down to a heavy 5-0 defeat.

Commandos 1—St. Joseph's 2

In a fast and exciting First Division League soccer game at Sookunpoo yesterday, St. Joseph's beat the Commandos by two goals to one.

The game was marred by too much rough play and two players, S. S. Nien of St. Joseph's and Highton of the Commandos were given "marching orders" by the referee, Mr. L. G. Young.

Nien was sent off for allegedly kicking Highton and the latter for punching Nien.

Two other players who were "watching" one another were also warned by the referee and made to shake hands.

The Saints were well served in the defence and Pereira between the sticks gave a good display of goalkeeping.

F. Silva, who was seen for the first time in league football here, was easily the pick of the defence.

Rocha, playing in the forward line, moved back into the defence after Nien left the field and, with the help of Chung, also a newcomer, put up stern opposition against the sturdy Commando forwards.

With the exception of Lo Sau-fook and Xavier, the rest of the St. Joseph's forward line did not impress.

The Commandos had a good defence in which Hayes, in the pivotal position, played an outstanding game. The forwards were good individually, but as a team lacked combination and shooting ability.

Teams settle down

Both teams settled down to good constructive football from the start and after a period of end to end play, Rocha of the Saints was seen dribbling down the right.

Working his way through the defence, however, he had hard luck when his shot went wide of its mark.

Commandos broke into the attack and Pereira, between the

sticks, was tested with two shots which he handled with confidence.

After 20 minutes play, Highton was seen racing with the ball down the right. Moving up to intercept him, Nien kicked his leg instead of the ball and Highton punched him. Both players were sent off the field.

After this incident the Commandos continued to press and Chiang and his colleagues were given a gruelling time, but managed to hold their own.

From a breakaway, Xavier was seen speeding down the right and, beating Lewens in the dribble, centred a fine shot across the goalmouth. King, who cut in from the left, took a shot at goal but the ball went over the crossbar.

In the next minute, King missed another chance of scoring when he shot wide from a pass by Xavier when favourably placed.

Shoots high

Over the other end, the Commandos were attacking again in earnest and after an almost certain goal by Watson was deflected by Rocha, Hunt had the misfortune to shoot high when favourably placed.

With a blank score sheet at the interval, the Saints took up the running after the breather and Castilho was seen heading for goal on a pass.

Advancing from his charge, Lecker punched clear and in doing so fell to the ground. Taking advantage of this, Xavier trapped the ball neatly and sent in a terrific shot at the empty goal.

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RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION

Commando 1 St. Joseph's 2
Club 0 Kwong Wah 1

SECOND DIVISION

News Vendors 4 R.A.F. 1
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Government Vernacular School 2 Anglo Chinese 0.

Softball:

Saints stage rally to beat Pandas 4-1

(By "GRANDSTAND")

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The Jaguars entertained USS H. A. Boss to a friendly encounter, which they won 7-2.

Vic Pedruco on the mound for the winners held the opposition scoreless while John Yvanovich who relieved Pedruco in the fifth allowed two home-run blows which gave the gobs their two runs.

Eric Guest hammered a four-master with two on bases to give the Jags an early lead, after which the Jags took things easy.

By virtue of a blackhawk fly victory over the Jaguar Cubs at the Overseas upset nose-out over Rexes, the Hawks are now one game ahead the Jags and Rexes in the Junior Pennant race.

Worked like trojans

For long periods, the Commandos attacked, but the St. Joseph's defence worked like trojans and managed to hold their own until Rocha had the misfortune to be pulled up for fouling Hunt in the penalty area.

From the resultant penalty awarded, Lewens reduced the Saints' lead with a well placed shot.

Excitement ran high as the Commandos tried again and again to force a draw and towards the end of the game almost succeeded, but Hunt's shot had the misfortune to hit the crossbar with Pereira out of position.

A scrumming resulted from the rebound and once more Hunt raced towards goal with the ball, but Pereira advanced and managed to beat him in the nick of time, pushing the ball round the upright as Hunt was about to convert with a header.

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After the breather, play was quite even and it was not until after 24 minutes that the Chinese took the lead, following a new wave of passing between the forwards.

Chung King-sang, who obtained possession of the ball, glided Mullen and then placed it into the net after Brown had left his charge to intercept him.

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BY ORDER, S. A. SLEEP, Secretary.

(Continued on page 13)

Japs learn Olympic techniques



Young Japanese track sprinters being taught the Olympic techniques by Dee Boeckmann, while coaches and future Olympic track stars look on intently. Miss Boeckmann, internationally known all-round sportswoman is on a visit to this Colony and has shown great interest in local sport.

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Kwong Wah: Tam Woo-chee, Chan Lam, Shi Ziu-kee, Tam Wai, Wan Hok-ming, Li Shok-pui, Tang Chuen, Chung King-sang.

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Dee Boeckmann, sportswoman of international fame, shows interest in local sport

(By "KIMBERLEY")

While Hong Kong was passing through just another week-end of sports, an interested visitor in the Colony was making observations from field to field, noting down carefully impressions gained of our activities in the outdoor and the talent featured.

The observer was the internationally renowned sportswoman, Dee Boeckmann of St. Louis, Missouri, former woman Olympic track and field champion, who carries with her still today, the distinction of being the only woman ever to coach a United States Olympic Track and Field team.



DEE BOECKMANN

Miss Boeckmann, at present Recreation Director with the 315th Air Division (US) in Itazuke, Japan, is spending a short vacation in the Colony.

And she was using the opportunity to gather material for her book on the sports of the world, training and technique.

Hong Kong struck the tall, experienced sportswoman as being a place where fresh talent must be inexhaustible. So you can well imagine how surprised the lady became when told that sports in Hong Kong had no centralisation and that we cannot boast of an organisation after the fashion of an Amateur Athletic Association.

My meeting with this famed lady of the field came about after Dee had decided that the "China Mail" carried a sports page which impressed her.

And that is no idle boast, but on opinion spoken by Dee herself when I was assigned to brief her on sports activities in the Colony.

Miss Boeckmann's job in Japan at present is to organise, train and develop the sports talent of the United States Air Force in Japan. In her spare time Dee, whose fame spread with the rapidity of measles throughout sports-minded Japan, is taking on part-time assignments in Japanese educational institutes, introducing her field technique and helping to pick out and produce Japan's future Olympic stars.

Record still stands

Her biggest success in this line she says, was when Helen Stevens, her all-time star prodigy, ran the 100 metres in 11.5 seconds at Berlin in 1936 to win the event for the U.S. and set up a record which still stands today, despite Holland's Fanny Blankers-Koen.

Herself a successful sprinter in her days, Dee later went in for field events, (javelin, discus, shot put and jumps), with equal success.

Remedies, however, followed up with a single and the first run of the game crossed the plate. A run-down play with runners on first and third was fumbled and another runner was checked up.

Jaguars attempted to fight their way back into the game when Reggie Viera singled but was forced out at second.

Joey Graca made sure of winning the ball game when he clubbed a two-bagger in the sixth with two runners on base, both of whom scored.

Timely hitting

The fast moving game finished under one hour, both sides fielding brilliantly, being guilty of one error each, but timely hitting by the Hawks earned them their victory.

Overseas lived up to their supporters' hopes as they toppled the league-leading Rexes by 9-8, thus giving the top rung to the Hawks.

Battery of Hoover Wong and Hal Louis Ming sparked their team-mates into a hitting spree as they battered Rexes hurler Ismail all over the park in the early stages of the game to take a 3-run lead.

Junior League history was almost made, but the Overseas outfit fumbled the chance of a life-time with a triple play.

Overseas short-stop appeared a line-drive and tagged second base for two outs, but the relay home to "nail" a runner was fumbled by catcher Ming.

Chance for youngsters

Arrangements have been made for the USS H. A. Boss to meet a selected team of junior-leaguers on Saturday at 1 p.m.

The Boss boys are not under-estimating local standards and are keen to give our juniors their much needed experience against stronger hitters.

The selected line-up which will be managed by Blimby Ablang, will be: Batteries, Josie Ribeiro and Manuel Gutierrez (B. Hawks), Hoover Wong and Hal L. Ming (Overseas), Ed Remedios, Ed Loureiro (Braves), Harold Ong (Overseas), Bernard Silva (B. Hawks), Steven Xavier (Jaguars), Leo Castro, Douglas Knight (Pandas), L. C. Chan, Victor Ng (Pandas), Reggie Silva (Aces), and Al Lilla (Hawks).

Shoe-string catch

Alvaro Souza attempted a squeeze which was frozen by Delgado in a shoe-string catch, but was out of position to complete a twin-killing as Gutierrez moved off the base.

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In fact, the Dee Boeckmann accomplishments on the field as well as in the role of an executive sports organiser in the United States—list like the pages of a telephone directory! Among these, the most amusing to me was when I came across the line which said: "Dee Boeckmann is the first and only woman member of the board of directors, Billiard Association of America." (1)

Born in St. Louis, Missouri, Dee graduated from Loreto Academy and the Washington University, majoring in Physical Education.

She represented the United States in the Amsterdam games (1928).

Dee has competed with the world's best all over the United States, Canada, England, and all countries in Europe.

In 1937, she added the International Fencing Championship to her accolade.

During the war, Dee worked with the American Red Cross as Club and Athletic Director, organising meets and games from Iceland to Australia.

As a lecturer, Miss Boeckmann toured the United States speaking to high school students on Sports and Sportsmanship.

She also gave lectures on "The Madman of Europe" dealing with the rulers she met in some countries in Europe.

Local sport

On the subject of sports in Hong Kong, Dee says that the variety of games here must tend to take-up too much time of any one individual sportman, leaving him insufficient scope to know down and develop his talent to the maximum in the sport for which he is most suited.

She mentioned her own experience as an example. She was first a sprinter. After having been successful in that, she took to the field events, then the jumps, progressing to other games in time.

"Drop one and pick up the other," she added, "otherwise you will only find yourself burnt out before you have reached any degree above mediocrity."

She is of the opinion that achievements on the field can only be obtained through keen interest, proper training and most of all, lots of hard work.

After a busy week-end of her rounds, softball diamonds and hockey fields, Dee Boeckmann returns today to Japan, to her work, and soon, to begin her book on the glorification of sport.

Badminton

The Colony Shuttle Open Championships which began last Friday, continue tonight at the Victoria Recreation Club with a further programme of six matches.

The opening night was somewhat marred by the condition of the court and it is hoped that those responsible for the running of the tournament will take greater pains in the preparation of future venues of play.

The discouraging effects of a slippery court on both players and spectators are too obvious to be mentioned.

Of the games to be played tonight, the feature game is the Junior Men's Doubles encounter between University's S. K. Cheong and S. F. Lam and Chinese YMCA's W. C. Chung and M. K. Fung.

The rushing tactics of the University boys and their hard smashes will prove to be the deciding factors.

Ladies' singles

The Ladies' Singles match between the two St. Teresa ladies, Melvie Soares and Gloria Silva, promises to be another interesting one.

Melvie, in partnership with her husband, Billy Soares, was runner-up in the Junior Mixed Doubles event last year.

Gloria has the advantage of youth on her side, but her inability to get out of that unorthodox grip of the racket, may prevent Melvie with the desired loopholes.

The inter-school nature of tonight's games will give them added interest, and supporters from the different schools are expected to turn up in full force to give encouragement to their respective representatives.

Tonight's games

At Victoria Recreation Club, 7.00 p.m.: Schoolboys' Singles: P. Tang (T. Sale) v. Wong Cheng-yeo (DBS).

7.30 p.m.: Schoolboys' Doubles: A. Sales and M. Osmund (T. Sale) v. J. de Lux and F. Xavier (St. Joseph's).

8.00 p.m.: Junior Men's Doubles: P. Tang and G. Rozario (St. Teresa's) v. F. M. Pereira (St. Teresa's) v. F. M.

8.30 p.m.: Junior Men's Doubles: W. C. Chung and M. K. Fung (Chinese YMCA) v. S. K. Cheong and S. F. Lam (University).

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